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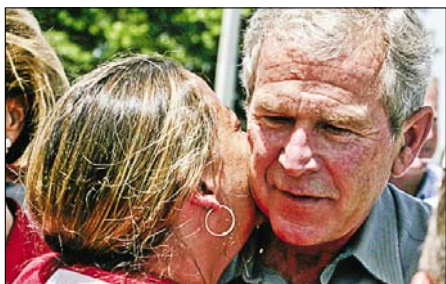
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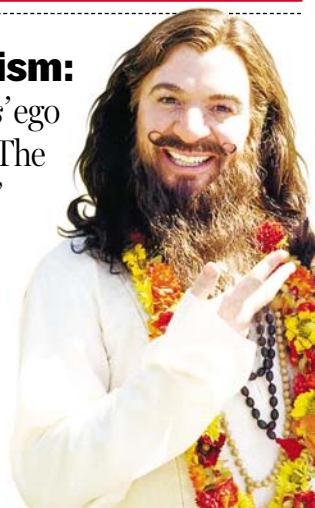
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Mike Myers' ego blooms in 'The Love Guru.' Also, 'Get Smart' isn't nearly as smart as it used to be.

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UNDER ARREST: A federal agent escorts handcuffed former Bear Stearns hedge fund manager Matthew Tannin Thursday in New York. Tannin and fellow ex-Bear Stearns executive Ralph Cioffi are charged with lying to investors about the collapse of the subprime mortgage market, and face multiple counts of fraud. ♦ **Stearns warning:** Arrests may mark first wave of prosecutions | **Page 13**

Obama Forgoes Financing

Candidate is first to bypass public funds since Watergate

WASHINGTON | Barack Obama is abandoning public financing for his presidential campaign, reversing his earlier stance in bold certainty he can raise millions more on his own as the first major-party candidate to bypass the tax-checkoff system that was hurried into place after the Watergate scandal.

Obama has shattered fundraising records during the primary season, and he promptly showed off his financial muscle Thursday with his first commercial of the general election campaign. The ad, a 60-second biographical spot, will begin airing Friday in 18 states, including historically Republican strongholds.

Though it opens him to charges of hypocrisy, Obama's fundraising decision was hardly a surprise, given his record in raising money from private sources. Some \$85 million in public money is available to each major party nominee during the fall campaign if he agrees to forgo other contributions.

McCain told reporters in Minnesota on Thursday, "We will take public financing." As for his opponent, he said Obama "said he would stick to his word. He didn't."

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The Mystery of Why Joe's Rent Was Always Late Solved!

Police say some students who moved out of an apartment near the University of Pennsylvania cleared it out down to the bare bones. An assistant manager who cleaned up found a human skull on the kitchen counter. Police don't know which of the seven students who lived in the apartment left the skull. Authorities say there is no indication any crime has occurred, but Lt. Frank Vanore says even for police it is "kind of a weird story." Vanore says the skull may have been a learning tool for medical students. Or it may have been left as a prank. (AP)



TRICKS

Device Banned by Thievery Association

A Lexington, Ky., thief bashed the plastic glass to get to the \$1, \$5, \$10 and \$20 bills inside the Drop-a-Note donation box in the Kentucky Theatre's lobby. But all the thief probably got were fistfuls of worthless paper, fake bills layered inside to hide the real cash. "It's sad when idiots can't tell fake money from the real thing," said

Steve Brown, president of Kentucky's Mighty Wurlitzer Theatre Organ Project, whose group is using the proceeds from the box to restore a Wurlitzer organ and return it to Kentucky. The fake bills were black and white, and didn't even have serial numbers, Brown said. (AP)



PUBLIC ART

Please Be A Turnip

A monument to the enema has been unveiled at a spa in the Russian city of Zheleznovodsk. The bronze syringe bulb, which weighs 800 pounds and is held by three angels, was unveiled at the Mashuk-Akva Term spa. "There is no kitsch or obscenity; it is a successful work of art," said Alexander Kharchenko. "An enema is almost a symbol of our region." The Caucasus Mountains are known for dozens of spas where enemas with water from mineral springs are administered. (AP)

CRIME

Snake's Plans for Identity Theft Foiled

A Londonderry, N.H., woman got more than she bargained for

when she opened her mailbox this week. A 3-foot-long snake was inside. Police captured the snake Tuesday and took it to a pet store, where employees identified it as a non-poisonous corn snake. The

pet store figures it may have been a pet that was abandoned and may have made its way into the mailbox on its own. Corn snakes are generally found in the southeastern United States. (AP)

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COUNTING UP: The world's population will reach 7 billion in 2012, even as the global community struggles to satisfy its appetite for natural resources, according to a new government projection. There are 6.7 billion people in the world today.

Nation

Poll Finds Increasing Pessimism

Record-low 17 percent of Americans say the nation is on right track

WASHINGTON | Wherever the nation should be headed, this isn't it.

The number of Americans who believe the country is moving in the wrong direction has risen sharply,

20%

The amount of men who say the country is headed in the right direction, compared to 14 percent of women.

to nearly eight in 10. Just 17 percent say the country is going in the right direction, according to an AP-Ipsos poll.

The number is the lowest ever in the survey, which began in 2003.

When other surveys are taken into account, the general level of pessimism is the worst in almost 30 years.

Those who said the country was on the wrong track totaled 76 percent of the people contacted in the survey. That's up from 71 percent in April and 66 percent near the end of 2007.

Six in 10 of those who said the U.S. was on the wrong track blamed the struggling economy, with gasoline prices hovering above \$4 a primary reason. "Poor leadership" accounted for 23 percent, while 20 percent said the war in Iraq. TOM RAUM (AP)

Report: Expect Extreme Weather

Agencies say climate change will result in more droughts, floods

WASHINGTON | Droughts will get dryer, storms will get stormier and floods will get deeper with changing climate, a government research report said Thursday.

Events that have seemed relatively rare will become commonplace, said the latest report from the U.S. Climate Change Science Program, a joint effort of more than a dozen government agencies.

There has been an increase in the frequency of heavy downpours, especially over northern states, and these are likely to continue in the future, Thomas R. Karl, director of the National Climatic Data Center, said in a briefing.

For example, Karl said, by the end of this century, rainfall amounts expected to occur every 20 years



Residents of Iowa City, Iowa, watch as a storm approaches the town on Saturday. A government report released Thursday predicts more severe weather in the U.S.

could happen every five years.

Such an increase "can lead to the type of events that we are seeing in the Midwest," Karl said, though

he did not directly link the current inundations to climate change.

At the same time heavy rains increase, there'll be more droughts,

especially in the Southwest, Karl said.

The Southwestern drought that began in 1999 is beginning to rival some of the greatest droughts on record, Karl said.

Gerald A. Meehl, a senior scientist at the National Center for Atmospheric Research, said there has been a trend toward increasing power in hurricanes since the 1970s in the Atlantic and western Pacific, a change that can be linked to rising sea surface temperatures.

It's also not getting as cold at night as it did in earlier decades, and there are fewer nights with frosts, a trend expected to continue, Meehl said.

"A day so hot that it is experienced only once every 20 years would occur every three years by the middle of the century," under the mid-range projections of climate models, the report said.

RANDOLPH E. SCHMID (AP)

Justices Limit Rights of Mentally Ill

Court says defendants can be forced to accept an attorney's services

WASHINGTON | Mentally ill criminal defendants don't have the same constitutional rights as everyone else, the Supreme Court said Thursday in carving out an exception to the right to represent yourself.

The justices said that a mentally ill defendant can be judged competent to stand trial yet incapable of acting as his own lawyer. The 7-2 decision said states can give a trial judge discretion to force someone to accept an attorney to represent him if the judge is concerned that the trial could turn into a farce.

"The Constitution permits states to insist upon representa-

tion by counsel for those competent enough to stand trial ... but who still suffer from severe mental illness to the point where they are not competent to conduct trial proceedings by themselves," Justice Stephen Breyer wrote in the majority opinion.

The court has previously declared that self-representation is a constitutional right, although

it is not absolute.

The ruling was one of five issued Thursday as the court nears the start of its three-month summer break.

Ten cases remain unresolved, including the landmark consideration of Americans' gun rights, whether Exxon Mobil Corp. must pay punitive damages for the Exxon Valdez oil spill in 1989, and the constitutionality of imposing the death penalty on people convicted of raping children. (AP)

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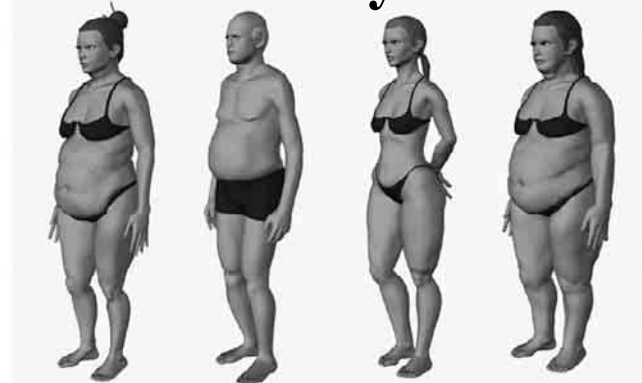
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Telecom Deal Is Reached

Congress crafts bill to protect firms that took part in spying

WASHINGTON | House and Senate leaders have agreed to a new compromise surveillance bill that would effectively shield from potentially costly civil lawsuits telecommunications companies that helped the government wiretap citizens' phone and computer lines after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks without court permission.

The House will debate the bill on Friday, potentially ending a months-long standoff about the rules for government wiretapping inside the United States.

House Majority Leader Steny Hoyer, D-Md., said the new bill

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"balances the needs of our intelligence community with Americans' civil liberties and provides critical new oversight and accountability requirements."

The issue of legal protection for

telecommunications companies that participated in "warrantless wiretapping" has been the single largest sticking point. The Senate passed a bill that immunized them from lawsuits. The House bill was silent on the matter. The White House threatened to veto any bill that did not shield the companies, which tapped lines at the behest of the president and attorney general.

The compromise bill would have a federal district court review certifications from the attorney general saying the telecommunications companies received presidential orders telling them wiretaps were needed to detect or prevent a terrorist attack. If the paperwork is in order, the judge would dismiss a lawsuit against the company.

PAMELA HESS (AP)

ALBANY, N.Y. | FUEL THE OUTRAGE



TRUCK STOP: A woman holds a sign during a trucker protest at the Capitol in Albany, N.Y., Thursday. Hundreds of truck drivers converged on the state Capitol and staged a noisy demonstration against the soaring fuel prices that are crippling their industry. New York Gov. David Paterson appeared briefly at the rally, reiterating his position that he would support a summer fuel tax "holiday" if fuel companies would guarantee to pass the savings on to consumers.

Group Sues Over S.C. License Plate

COLUMBIA, S.C. | A group that advocates separation of church and state filed a federal lawsuit Thursday to prevent South Carolina from becoming the first state to create "I Believe" license plates.

The group contends that South Carolina's government is endorsing Christianity by allowing the plates, which would include a cross on a stained glass window.

Washington-based Americans

United for Separation of Church and State filed the lawsuit.

The lawsuit, filed in U.S. District Court for South Carolina, asks a judge to stop the state from making the plates and rule that the law allowing them violates the First Amendment. (AP)

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"It's just a terrible group of people that rule the country. ... I don't understand how human life doesn't matter to somebody. But, clearly, it doesn't matter to them."

—Cindy McCain, criticizing the junta in Myanmar on human rights during a visit on Thursday to Vietnam.

President Tours Devastated Towns

Bush tells residents they will 'come back better' from flooding

CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA | President Bush, surveying the aftermath of devastating floods during a lightning-quick tour of the Midwest on Thursday, assured residents and rescuers alike that he is listening to their concerns and understands their exhaustion.

"Obviously, to the extent we can help immediately, we will help," Bush said.

"You'll come back better," the president said while being briefed by state and local officials at a cinder-block emergency operations center set up at a community college here. "Sometimes it's hard to see it."

Cedar Rapids was submerged in



President Bush tours flood-damaged areas Thursday in Iowa City, Iowa. Families and businesses in Iowa were picking up the pieces after a week of heavy flooding.

a dirty lake when the Cedar River crested almost 20 feet above flood stage. Now, with the floodwaters

having receded, trash was everywhere, and businesses and families were trying to determine what

could be salvaged.

In Iowa City, a college town about 30 miles to the southeast, the damage was more limited when the Iowa River topped its banks.

But in Missouri and Illinois along the Mississippi River, the danger was still present — not past.

The river tore through a levee late Wednesday at Winfield, about 50 miles north of St. Louis. A second levee still protected most of the town of 720 residents, but residents were urged to evacuate.

In the 150-resident village of Hamburg, Ill., also north of St. Louis, there was no levee to hold back the Mississippi, and Mayor Jim Fortner said about 50 prisoners were helping dozens of volunteers hastily add 2 to 3 feet to a half-mile wall of sandbags.

BEN FELLER (AP)

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The number of clones of an endangered dog breed that a South Korean team led by disgraced stem cell scientist Hwang Woo-suk claims to have created. The group said in a statement Thursday that the cloned Tibetan mastiff dogs were born in April.

In Brief



A man participates in a protest against the Thai government on Thursday.

BANGKOK, THAILAND

King Urges Prime Minister To Keep Vows Ahead of Rally

Thailand's revered king urged the prime minister Thursday to keep his promises to do good for the nation in a televised meeting that could undercut plans for a massive demonstration Friday to call for the government to step down. The protesters claim Prime Minister Samak Sundaravej is a proxy for former Prime Minister Thaksin Shinawatra, ousted by a 2006 military coup. Anti-government rallies have been held for the past three weeks. (AP)

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM

European Union Agrees To Lift Sanctions on Cuba

The European Union's external relations commissioner says the EU has agreed to lift sanctions on Cuba. Benita Ferrero-Waldner told reporters Thursday that EU leaders feel they have to cooperate with changes in Cuba after Raul Castro took over as the head of the country's government from his ailing brother Fidel. The measures were imposed five years ago and suspended in 2005. (AP)

GENEVA

Brother of UAE Ruler on Trial For Assaulting American

Geneva's chief prosecutor argued Thursday that a brother of the United Arab Emirates' ruler should receive the maximum penalty on a charge of assaulting an American man with his belt in a luxury hotel bar. Silvano Orsi of Rochester, N.Y., says Sheik Falah bin Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan hit him with a belt with a steel buckle after Orsi declined champagne from the sheik. (AP)

Fragile Calm Settles in Israel, Gaza

No fighting reported on first day of truce between Israel, Hamas

SDEROT, ISRAEL | Raz Elraz, for the first time, will be able to take his 14-month-old son to a playground in this rocket-scarred Israeli town. A few miles away in Gaza, Palestinian teenagers ride their bicycles, and Hamas guards play pingpong.

The six-month truce that took effect Thursday was welcomed by both sides, although the Palestin-

ian economy is still being held in check by a closed border.

The cease-fire is meant to end Palestinian rocket barrages and Israeli reprisals in Gaza that have killed more than 400 Palestinians and seven Israelis in fighting since the Islamic Hamas seized control of the Gaza Strip a year ago.

Halting all violence is the first step of the deal. If it holds, succeeding stages will see Israel easing its blockade on Gaza and negotiations will resume on the release of an Israeli soldier held for two



Palestinian children play on a beach in Deir el-Balah, Gaza Strip, Thursday.

years by Hamas-linked forces and on opening the Rafah crossing between Gaza and Egypt.

As the sun set on the first day of the truce, there were no reports of fighting. The last truce, in November 2006, lasted only weeks.

On the Israeli side of the Kissufim crossing, Israeli soldiers played soccer near their tanks. In Rafah, Gaza Strip, grinning Hamas security men in camouflage uniforms played pingpong while their colleagues sat nearby, their guns resting on their laps. LAURIE COPANS (AP)



Activists hold posters of Myanmar pro-democracy leader Aung San Suu Kyi at a march to mark her birthday in New Delhi.

Myanmar Detains Suu Kyi Activists

Junta takes away 13 protesters marking leader's 63rd birthday

YANGON, MYANMAR | Myanmar's ruling military junta detained 13 opposition party members who called for the release of pro-democracy leader Aung San Suu Kyi as she marked her 63rd birthday Thursday, witnesses said.

The 13 people were taken into a truck after dozens of Suu Kyi's supporters gathered outside the

National League for Democracy party's headquarters in Yangon, witnesses said on condition of anonymity for fear of government reprisals. Some of those detained were punched and beaten before being taken away, they said.

The protesters shouted slogans calling for the government to release Suu Kyi, who they said "has been unfairly detained."

A Buddhist monk was also arrested, according to a government official who asked not to be named because he was not autho-

rized to speak to the press.

Last month, the junta extended the house arrest of the Nobel Peace Prize laureate for a sixth year, despite international protests.

The Suu Kyi supporters dispersed Thursday — some running back to party headquarters — after more than 100 pro-junta thugs approached in six trucks.

Activists also held marches to mark Suu Kyi's birthday in New Delhi, India, and Bangkok.

Suu Kyi has spent more than 12 of the last 18 years in detention. (AP)

NATO Calls Afghan Area Safe

Alliance declares victory in expelling Taliban from valley

ARGHANDAB, AFGHANISTAN | Afghan and NATO troops backed by warplanes drove Taliban militants from villages within striking distance of southern Afghanistan's main city on Thursday, killing 56 of them, Afghan officials said.

NATO said the 24-hour operation in Arghandab was a swift success that banished any threat to Kandahar and would help reassure Afghans appalled at the embarrassing mass escape of Taliban prisoners from a city jail last week.

Hundreds of families who fled the lush, orchard-strewn valley, which begins just 10 miles from the city, were told they could safely return, the alliance said.

But the declaration of victory was diminished by alliance officials who implied that Afghan authorities had exaggerated the threat the militants posed.

"No large formation of insurgents were met or spotted. Only minor incidents occurred," alliance spokesman Maj. Gen. Carlos Branco said. "The insurgents who were there were evidently not in the numbers ... that they have claimed." NOOR KHAN (AP)



"I reproached myself again and again late into the night watching the candlelight vigil."

—Lee Myung-bak, South Korean president, on a protest by 80,000 citizens against U.S. beef imports last week. He pledged Thursday to keep U.S. beef out of South Korea unless Washington limits exports to younger cattle.

World

China Raises Prices of Gas, Diesel

Dramatic cost hikes come after months of resistance to change

SHANGHAI | After resisting pressure to increase fuel prices for 7½ months, China —the world's second-largest consumer of oil — said late Thursday it would dramatically raise the cost of gasoline and diesel.

China's chief economic planning body, the National Development and Reform Commission, said gasoline and diesel would go up by 1,000 yuan or \$145 per ton — 17 and 18 percent, respectively. Aviation fuel, meanwhile, would rise by 1,500 yuan or \$218 per ton.

The official New China News Agency said electricity prices would also be raised for most businesses, but residences would be exempt.



Driving a car in China is set to become more expensive, as the country's National Development and Reform Commission announced higher fuel prices Thursday.

For the past year, Beijing has struggled with how to deal with rising global oil prices while reining in record inflation at home.

In November, the government allowed fuel prices to jump by 11 percent to 5,980 yuan per ton for gasoline and 5,520 yuan per ton

for diesel. At that time, the government pledged to keep those prices and prices for other daily necessities, such as pork and cooking oil, frozen for the near future.

China's regulated oil prices have been blamed for spurring shortages in the domestic market as oil companies hoarded supplies and refineries stopped processing in order to avoid losses. At the previous prices, domestic refineries were losing the equivalent of more than \$100 for each ton of crude they processed.

The fuel price increase is the latest in a string of measures China has taken to cut its use of fossil fuels and raise energy efficiency. Soaring energy costs, along with environmental damage due to high oil and coal use, are threatening to derail China's economic growth.

ARIANA EUNJUNG CHA (THE WASHINGTON POST)

Militants Attack Oil Installation Near Nigeria

LAGOS, NIGERIA | Militants in speedboats raided an oil installation off Nigeria's southern coastline on Thursday, forcing Royal Dutch Shell to slash production and exposing Africa's biggest oil industry as vulnerable even on the high seas.

The attack by fighters of the Movement for the Emancipation of the Niger Delta, about 85 miles into the oil-rich Gulf of Guinea, was the militant group's farthest-ever attack in the open ocean.

"The location for today's attack was deliberately chosen to remove any notion that offshore oil exploration is far from our reach," the group said. "The oil companies and their collaborators do not have any place to hide in conducting their nefarious activities." (AP)

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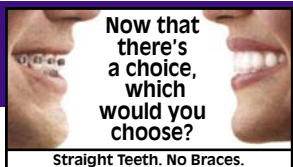
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World



Zimbabwean opposition leader Morgan Tsvangirai speaks to reporters on Thursday. Tsvangirai's party said more than 60 of its activists were killed in recent weeks.

Zimbabwe Party Reports Attacks

Mugabe rivals say they are targets of violence ahead of runoff vote

HARARE, ZIMBABWE | Zimbabwe's opposition said Thursday it was facing escalating violence in the last days before a presidential runoff pitting its leader against longtime President Robert Mugabe.

Victims have been burned alive or turned up dead after being spirited away in trucks, the Movement for Democratic Change said.

The violence, restrictions on opposition campaigning and the arrest of a top opposition leader have sparked concern the June 27 elections will not be free and fair — leading some in the region to question whether the vote should be scrapped in favor of a power-sharing arrangement.

Independent human rights activists, including Amnesty International, have implicated police, sol-

diers and Mugabe party militants in the violence.

Amnesty said Thursday that 12 bodies had been found across the country recently and that most of the victims showed signs of torture. Opposition presidential candidate Morgan Tsvangirai's Movement for Democratic Change says more than 60 of its activists have been killed in recent weeks.

One of the worst single attacks came Wednesday, when the party said four activists were abducted and assaulted with iron bars, clubs and guns. The victims were forced onto trucks and taken away by militias chanting slogans of Mugabe's party, witnesses said. The bodies were found early Thursday, said an opposition spokesman.

Separately, three Chitungwiza opposition councilmen and their families fled their homes and escaped injury when their homes were set alight on Wednesday night, Chamisa said. **ANGUS SHAW (AP)**

Iraqi Troops Arrest Amarah Mayor

BAGHDAD | Iraqi troops arrested the mayor of the southern city of Amarah on Thursday, raising tensions with followers of anti-U.S. cleric Muqtada al-Sadr as a third Iraqi military operation against Shiite militias in recent months got

under way.

Mayor Rafia Abdul-Jabbar, a Sadrist who also serves as acting deputy governor of Maysan province, was reportedly among 17 wanted people detained for alleged involvement in militia activities. **(AP)**

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SMALL WORLD: The tiny Montana cabin where Unabomber Ted Kaczynski hid now stands a few blocks from the Washington headquarters of the FBI, which spent 17 years searching for him. The cabin goes on display for the first time Friday at the Newseum.

Local

In Brief



Dr. Benjamin Carson of Johns Hopkins was awarded the Medal of Freedom.

WASHINGTON Baltimore Neurosurgeon Receives Medal of Freedom

President Bush on Thursday presented the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian award, to Dr. Benjamin S. Carson Sr., director of pediatric neurosurgery at Johns Hopkins Children's Center in Baltimore. Carson performed the world's first successful operation separating twins joined at the back of the head in 1987. Six others were also issued awards to leaders in the government, the judiciary and the military. (AP)

WASHINGTON Norton Introduces Bill Giving City Control of D.C. Charters

Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton has introduced a bill that would give the District of Columbia full oversight over the D.C. Charter School Board. The seven-member panel was created by Congress in 1996. Members are appointed by Mayor Adrian M. Fenty from a list presented by the U.S. Secretary of Education. In introducing the bill Thursday, Norton said D.C. residents resent the federal government's involvement in important decisions about local education. (AP)

Hundreds of Va. Road Projects Cut

Kaine proposes higher car fees, taxes to solve funding problems

RICHMOND, VA. | With lawmakers returning Monday to consider transportation funding, the state's highway planning panel cut hundreds of new projects for lack of money Thursday.

The Commonwealth Transportation Board voted to divert \$2.75 billion in the next six years from new road construction to

cover soaring costs of maintaining the state's network of highways and bridges.

State law requires the state to fund upkeep and repair ahead of new projects.

In discouraged, sometimes despairing remarks aimed at Republican legislators, the board members — Democratic appointees — predicted more dire cuts without new highway maintenance money.

Julia Connally of Arlington called it a "finger in the dike



Kaine

approach." Gerald McCarthy of Richmond said next week's special session is a time "for adults to step up."

On Thursday afternoon, Gov. Timothy M. Kaine unveiled the final draft of a bill he's offering as the solution to the funding problem.

Major statewide provisions would raise the cost of register-

ing a car by \$10 per year, boost the titling from 3 percent of a car's purchase price to 4 percent, and increase the tax homeowners pay when they sell their property.

Kaine's legislation also called for regional transportation taxing districts in Hampton Roads and Northern Virginia, the state's most populous regions with the worst traffic jams.

The governor, however, says he will reject any plan that doesn't include statewide funding for maintenance. BOB LEWIS (AP)

WASHINGTON | EDWARDS SWORN IN ON CAPITOL HILL



PROUD MOMENT: Donna Edwards, left, chats with friends after being sworn into the House of Representatives Thursday to represent Maryland's District 4. Her mother, Mary Edwards, right, kisses her son, Jared Coleman. She is the first black woman elected to serve Maryland in Congress.

MLK Memorial Statue Changes Submitted

WASHINGTON | Artists working on a Martin Luther King Jr. memorial submitted changes Thursday to address concerns that a proposed rendering made him look confrontational and like a socialist leader.

Changes to the 28-foot-tall "Stone of Hope" sculpture were requested by the U.S. Commission of Fine Arts, a federal panel that helps oversee monuments and memorials on the National Mall.

The commission didn't vote, but members indicated they would approve the changes.

"This is how people are going to remember [King]," said commission vice chairman Pamela Nelson. "It's critical to his legacy for ages to come. That's why we're so careful."

Ed Jackson Jr., the project's executive architect, said architects softened King's face slightly at the brow and the mouth. (AP)

The Lotteries

Thursday, June 19

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Mid-day Lucky Numbers	4-5-4
Evening Lucky Numbers (Wed.)	0-0-6
Mid-day DC 4	6-1-7-8
Evening DC 4 (Wed.)	4-1-2-0
Rolling Cash Five (Wed.)	6-10-14-25-35
Daily 6 (Wed.)	1-6-8-18-25-35 Bonus: 2
Hot Lotto (Wed.)	9-16-29-30-37 (8)

MARYLAND

Mid-day Pick 3	8-5-0
Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)	2-5-3
Mid-day Pick 4	4-2-0-3
Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	9-6-4-3
Match 5 (Wed.)	4-10-13-23-30 Bonus: 38
Lotto (Wed.)	3-6-15-28-38-41

VIRGINIA

Mid-day Pick 3 (Thurs.)	4-9-7
Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)	5-2-2
Mid-day Pick 4 (Thurs.)	8-7-0-4

Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	4-4-0-4
Mid-day Cash 5 (Thurs.)	7-9-13-15-28
Evening Cash 5 (Wed.)	7-22-28-33-34
Win for Life (Wed.)	9-13-17-18-25-29

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RARE AIR: British Airways is betting a slow economy won't keep wealthy travelers from luxury. The airline's new affiliate, OpenSkies, flew for the first time Thursday, and promised to pamper passengers with good food and personal service. Prices range from \$1,320 to \$3,800 per ticket.

Money

Two Charged in Housing Meltdown

More than 400 have been indicted in the real estate crackdown

NEW YORK | Two former Bear Stearns hedge fund managers were hauled into jail Thursday and charged with lying to investors about the collapse of the subprime mortgage market, perhaps signaling the start of a wave of prosecutions arising from the housing meltdown.

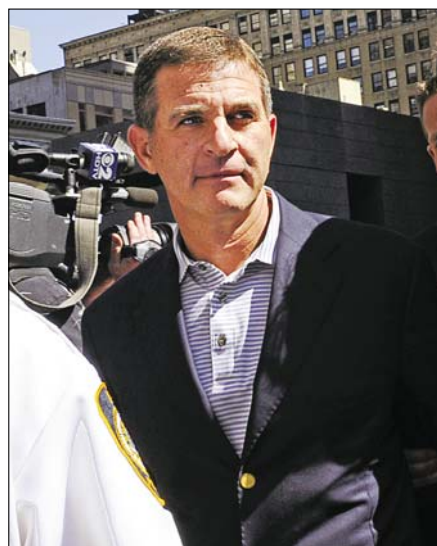
Ralph Cioffi and Matthew Tannin were accused of encouraging investors to stay in their hedge funds, heavily exposed to subprime mortgages, even as they knew the credit market was in trouble. They were indicted on conspiracy and fraud counts

The eventual implosion of their two hedge funds cost investors \$1.8 billion and started the domino effect that led to the demise of Bear Stearns itself, which barely avoided bankruptcy.

"This is not about mismanagement of a hedge fund," said Mark Mershon, head of the New York FBI



Ex-Bear Stearns employees Matthew Tannin, left, and Ralph Cioffi, right, were indicted on fraud and conspiracy counts.



office. "It is about premeditated lies to investors and lenders."

The arrests came as the Justice Department in Washington announced the indictments of more than 400 players in the real estate industry since March in a crackdown on mortgage fraud.

The Bear Stearns case against Cioffi and Tannin appears to be

based on a series of e-mails that reveal panic and disorder behind the scenes at the hedge fund as its investments began to slide.

"The subprime market looks pretty damn ugly," Tannin wrote to Cioffi in April 2007. If Bear's internal reports were accurate, Tannin suggested, "I think we should close the funds now," and "the entire sub-

prime market is toast."

The situation became so dire that Cioffi pulled \$2 million of his own cash from the fund, but the pair still told investors that they should stay in and that the outlook was good, prosecutors said.

Both men pleaded not guilty to an afternoon arraignment and were released on bond. (AP)

Citigroup Exec Warns of More Losses to Come

NEW YORK | Citigroup Inc.'s chief financial officer on Thursday warned that the nation's largest bank by assets would suffer more "substantial" write-downs on debt investments in the second quarter. Citigroup shares fell 23 cents, or 1.1 percent, to \$20.17 Thursday.

CFO Gary Crittenden also said that there will likely be more write-downs related to leveraged loans and bond insurers. He said that credit costs on the whole would be higher in the second quarter.

The comments from Crittenden come on the heels of profit declines at three major Wall Street investment houses and Fifth Third Bancorp's decision to raise \$2 billion in capital. (AP)



BY THE NUMBERS: The Internal Revenue Service has thus far issued 76.5 million payments, worth \$63.8 billion, as part of the economic stimulus program. (AP)

Paulson: Fed Urgently Needs More Authority

Treasury secretary says central bank can stabilize the economy

WASHINGTON | The Bush administration said Thursday that the Federal Reserve should be given sweeping new powers to protect the integrity of the financial system, contending that this year's market turmoil has exposed a badly outdated regulatory system.

While acknowledging that debate on the issue in Congress would take time, Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson said the discussion should begin without delay because the stakes for the financial system are so high.

"We should quickly consider how to most appropriately give the Fed the authority to access necessary

information from highly complex financial institutions and the responsibility to intervene to protect the system so they can carry out the role our nation has come to expect — stabilizing the overall system when it is threatened," he said.

Paulson said the near-collapse of Bear Stearns had "placed in stark relief the outdated nature of our financial regulatory system."

Later, responding to an audience question about how quickly the reform could be approved, Paulson said, "Do I have an expectation that it will get done this year? Probably not ... but it needs to be focused on soon." MARTIN CRUTSINGER (AP)



Paulson



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Sunday in The Washington Post



MO' BETTER VIEWS: The skyline of Detroit, a city not known for its warmth or natural beauty. But it could be getting a bad rap.

Less Miserables

Detroit can seem like Paris — if you look at it in the right light

IN TRAVEL | I saw it first by night. A metropolis unveiled in viewfinder snapshots through the smudged windows of an elevated train. Gothic towers crowded close, proud detail etched on gray stone. A beaming stadium full of red-capped baseball fans, its front side left open as if to console the devoted others it couldn't quite hold. A neon neighborhood of revelers, trying their luck with the cards and with each other. A river that bounced fractured glints of the city back toward the heavens.

It was beguilingly authentic — gritty and romantic — and it was decided: I would side with Mary.

Mary, the smiling lady of the hotel lobby, not Alexandro, the cab driver who brought me to her.

"Is this your first time in Detroit?" Mary inquired. "You're going to love it! It's just like Paris."

Minutes earlier Alexandro laughed



MY BIG FAT GREEK VACATION: Greektown offers happiness and lots of music.

incredulously when I told him what I'd come here to find. "Happiness?" he scoffed. "I can't really see it. Everybody's just so miserable."

Which is what Forbes magazine said, too; the most miserable city in America, it claimed in a report earlier this year. "Imagine living in a city with the country's highest rate for violent crime and the second-highest unemployment

rate," the article proposes, by way of introduction.

But after riding the looping downtown train — slickly named the People Mover — and stepping into the Greektown section of the city, where I was met by saxophones singing from opposite corners and a scene that looked like the quaint Hollywood version of a 1940s gambling town, it was over.

I could be happy here. I already was.

The morning was different. The streets were idle and empty. So many of the buildings that were hauntingly handsome at night were sad in daylight; windowless, hollow and crumbling. Lot after lot laid bare, covered with slabs of broken

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SUNDAY IN TRAVEL

Read Ellen McCarthy's complete account of her trip to the Motor City, and details on how to get there, where to stay and sights to see.



concrete or half-dead weeds. Warehouses, storefronts, office buildings left to rot, sealed with plywood, disfigured by graffiti.

That's what we saw as we headed toward the Motown Historical Museum, a cluster of houses with a second-story sign declaring the place "Hitsville U.S.A."

It's the right name for the place. The Commodores, the Supremes, the Four Tops, the Jackson Five, Stevie Wonder, Smokey Robinson. "My Girl," "Baby Love," "Just My Imagination," "You Can't Hurry Love" and on and on. In less than a decade, so much of that greatness came through these walls, Barry Gordy's factory of singing sensations. Here's the desk where Diana Ross worked as a secretary to support her singing career. The basement recording studio where the Temptations practiced their moves.

"The teenagers were just ready for it," a disc jockey from the era recalled in a documentary on Motown shown at the end of the tour. The first time she'd heard the music, she walked away with a singular assessment: "This," she said, "was happy singing."

Another stop was Belle Isle, a storied city park that covers the length of a 982-acre island in the middle of the river. Designed by the same landscape architect responsible for Central Park in New York, the isle is gorgeous.

We walked to the edge of the island facing the city's skyline. From a distance, Detroit looked as it had in the dark: beautiful.

ELLEN MCCARTHY (THE WASHINGTON POST)



THESE STORIES AND MORE THIS SUNDAY



Beach Reading

We take a look at what makes a great beach read. Plus a list of our favorite beach books and the favorites of authors like Mary Higgins Clark, David Baldacci and Janet Evanovich, above.

SUNDAY SOURCE

Real Reality TV

We go behind the scenes of "Hopkins," a new six-part series chronicling life and death in Baltimore's most famous hospital. **TV WEEK**



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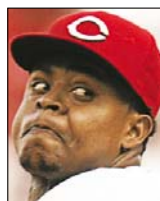
Fair Trade

Hamilton for Volquez deal has paid off for Rangers and Reds

BASEBALL | Another last-place season had just ended. The Texas Rangers, who face the Nationals in a three-game series beginning Friday in Washington, were taking stock of what they needed in the offseason to end their run of misery.

They really needed an outfielder who could drive in runs. They really wanted Josh Hamilton.

Would the Cincinnati Reds



Volquez

be willing to part with the outfielder who had resumed his career after years of drug

addiction? General manager Jon Daniels picked up the phone to find out.

That October phone call started weeks of talks that culminated in an intriguing deal, one that has provided two of baseball's biggest surprises at midseason: Josh Hamilton for Edinson Volquez.

The 27-year-old Hamilton is among the vote leaders for the All-Star game next month at Yankee Stadium. He leads the majors in runs batted in, has led the AL in homers for much of the season and is among its best in batting average.

Assuming he makes it to New York on July 15, it won't be a surprise if he digs in against Volquez, who leads the majors in ERA and has



"Just tell everyone it was a draw," Hamilton said of the trade that sent him to Texas.

led the NL in strikeouts for much of the season. The three-player swap announced on Dec. 21 — the Reds also got reliever Danny Herrera — has become the definition of a perfect trade. "Just tell everybody it's a draw," Hamilton suggested. "Both teams are winners in the trade."

"I can't remember one in recent times where it paid off so quickly for each team," said Wayne Krivsky, who was fired as the Reds' general manager 21 games into the season.

At the time, both general managers worried they might be giving away too much.

Hamilton batted .292 with 19 homers in his rookie season with the Reds, but health problems limited him to 90 games. There were questions about how much of a toll the years of drug use had taken on his body.

Those questions got pushed to the background every time he swung a bat or made a play. Baseball scouts were amazed at what he did after being out of the game for three years.

The Reds felt the same way but had other needs. What the Reds really needed was starting pitching.

When the Rangers asked about Hamilton, the Reds replied with a name of their own. They wouldn't make the deal without Volquez.

"It was a conversation that probably spanned more than two months," Daniels said.

If they wind up going head to head at Yankee Stadium next month, the gut-check trade will become the epitome of the great deal.

"It is pretty amazing," Krivsky said. "It was just a perfect match."

JOE KAY (AP)

TV Lineup



Netherlands' Klaas-Jan Huntelaar celebrates after scoring against Romania.

friday

2 P.M. After eliminating top-seeded Miami, Stanford plays Georgia in the afternoon and, in the evening, Fresno St. plays the winner of Thursday's game between LSU and UNC. ESPN2

2:30 P.M. Group B winner Croatia meets Turkey in the quarterfinals of the European Championships. ESPN

8:05 P.M. The Orioles, above .500 this late in the season for the first time since 2005, travel to Milwaukee to face the Brewers. MASN2

saturday

2:30 P.M. Russia will try to hand the Netherlands its first loss of the 2008 European Championships on Saturday. ABC

3:30 P.M. With less than 50 days until the start of the Olympics in Beijing, you can watch the U.S. Olympic trials in diving and men's gymnastics. NBC

3:30 P.M. The St. Louis Cardinals travel to Boston to face the defending champions in interleague play. FOX

sunday

1:35 P.M. The Nationals and the Rangers play their final game of a three-game series. MASN

2:30 P.M. Spain-Italy is the last of the quarterfinal Euro 2008 matches. ESPN

8 P.M. The Chicago White Sox travel across town to face the rival Cubs in a crosstown series that has not been this important in a long time. Both teams are on top of their respective divisions. ESPN

BASEBALL | His Cut Fastball New Mets manager Jerry Manuel found that he needed to get respect from his team after being appointed in the middle of the night. So, when Jose Reyes refused to come out of the game even though his hamstring tightened up, Manuel showed the team he was serious, the New York Daily News reported. "I told him next time he does that I'm going to get my blade out and cut him. I'm a gangster. You go gangster on me, I'm going to have to get you. You do that again, I'm going to cut you right on the field." (EXPRESS)



No-Brainer at No. 1 Spot

After Tampa Bay takes Stamkos, trades may dominate NHL draft

NHL DRAFT | Jay Feaster has the easy job — “idiot-proof” is how the Tampa Bay Lightning GM puts it. He will select forward Steven Stamkos with the No. 1 pick in the NHL draft on Friday night.

Los Angeles Kings GM Dean Lombardi has a much more difficult task determining what he'll do with the No. 2 pick.

Lombardi said Thursday he was busy fielding calls from as many as 20 teams and weighing whether to trade the pick or use it on one of a solid corps of defense prospects ranked behind Stamkos.

Trade rumors have dominated the days leading up to the draft in part because there are numerous



Steven Stamkos, at 6 feet, 176 pounds, will be drafted No. 1 by the Lightning.

NEW LOOK

In the last five years, the Caps have picked in the Top 5 three times. This year, they pick 23rd:

→ It's the lowest draft pick the team has had since 2001, when it didn't have a first-round pick. General Manager George McPhee said it presents different challenges because you don't know who will be available.

→ The team also has three second-round picks (Nos. 54, 57 and 58 overall), and McPhee said it would look to move up if something became available. “What you have to have is a club that is willing to move back,” he said.

teams eager to move into the top 10 to get a chance at a draft class considered by NHL Central Scouting officials to be among the deep-

est in recent memory.

Amid all the speculation, Feaster, at least, is finally enjoying some certainty.

The team eagerly awaits the chance to select Stamkos — the consensus top prospect.

Stamkos is a skilled two-way player, who produced 197 points (100 goals, 97 assists) in 124 games with Sarnia of the Ontario Hockey League over the past two seasons.

The Lightning have been so sure of their choice that they've already begun a marketing campaign, titled, “Seen Stamkos,” and advertising him as “Coming soon to Hockey Bay, USA,” in reference to Tampa Bay.

“Oh, yeah, that's the worst-kept secret,” Feaster said, noting he already has Stamkos penciled in as the team's second-line center this season. “I think he's special.”

JOHN WAWROW (AP)

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CROWDED STOP: Thousands of fans crowd the streets in Boston, some sitting and standing on top of bus stops or whatever they can find, to celebrate the Celtics' 17th NBA championship, the team's first in 22 years.



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Simms Keeps D.C. United

Mid helps link defense and forwards — and adds some scoring, too

UNITED | It takes a lot of confidence for a player with two career goals to ask the league's all-time leading scorer to pass up an uncontested shot from a free kick and lay the ball off.

But D.C. United's Clyde Simms' stature is not measured in the box score. He is a former minor leaguer who beat the odds to establish himself as an MLS regular, United's only holdover from 2007 in either central defense or midfield and its only member to play every minute this MLS season.

So, when Simms asked for the ball last Saturday, Jaime Moreno respected that and slid it to him. The midfielder hit a thunderous shot that broke New York's back, won the league's Goal of the Week award and helped rebounding D.C. (5-7-1) to a second straight win.

"It's my fourth year playing with Jaime, and I knew that he saw me. I didn't want to make too big a deal of it. If I attract attention to myself, the other team will notice," the unassuming North Carolina native said.



D.C. United celebrated its second straight win Saturday, thanks to Simms' shot, which garnered the Goal of the Week award. It was the third career goal for Simms.

"It's just another weapon our team has."

Simms, 25, is gaining attention as a different kind of weapon. He is the worker in midfield, the destroyer, the man who does the dirty work so the attackers can shoot for glory. His performances made veteran Brian Carroll expendable in the offseason, and the coaching staff has trusted him to play behind a brand new playmaker (Marcelo Gallardo) and in front of two brand new center backs.

With Gallardo suspended in last weekend's 4-1 triumph, Simms accepted more responsibility and scored the winning goal. On Sunday against visiting San Jose (3-7-2) he'll go back to linking the defense to the attack and helping to organize a team that still is getting to know each other.

He laughed when asked about his veteran role, and said the chemistry he is helping establish will continue to boost resurgent United.

"A lot of times, you'll see the better team on paper doesn't always win," he said. "You can't just put together a team of good players and expect to win soccer games; you need that time to get the chemistry."

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WIZARDS | BY MATT SWENSON

Wizards Must Make a Move

NOW THAT WE KNOW THE CELTICS are officially the best team in the NBA — a fact that took some of us longer than others to realize — the Washington Wizards have their target.

In one year, Boston went from being the Eastern Conference's worst team to the league's best. Please tell me Ernie Grunfeld has some plan to jump-start the Wizards.

What we saw in the NBA Finals is that defense isn't just a cliché or something that's nice to play once in a while. Because the Celtics dedicated themselves to defense, they were able to forever end comparisons between Kobe Bryant and Michael Jordan. (A big thank you is in order for that.)

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Columnist Matt Swenson and Sports Editor Ian Herbert will be online Monday to talk about the Wizards, the Nationals, the Euro Cup and more | **MONDAY, 11 A.M.**

Maybe this is the year Washington will finally get the message. The Wizards, sans Gilbert Arenas, improved defensively to compensate for the loss of Arenas' scoring. Yet they were hardly good enough to win a championship, and, when Agent Zero returned, the team returned to its 2006 form.

To move beyond the Cavaliers just to get to the Celtics, the Wizards might have to trade Arenas or let Antawn Jamison leave as a free agent, though Grunfeld insists neither will happen.

Next week's draft is the first step. I'm advocating an ABRH approach (Anyone But Roy Hibbert, who will be badly outmatched in the pros).

Kansas' Darrell Authur is a popular pick in mock drafts. He's a power forward, a position of need. That would be a good a start, but it's only a start.

Changes are needed; the Wizards can't keep hoping to avoid LeBron James in the playoffs.

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Germany Ends Its Semifinal Drought

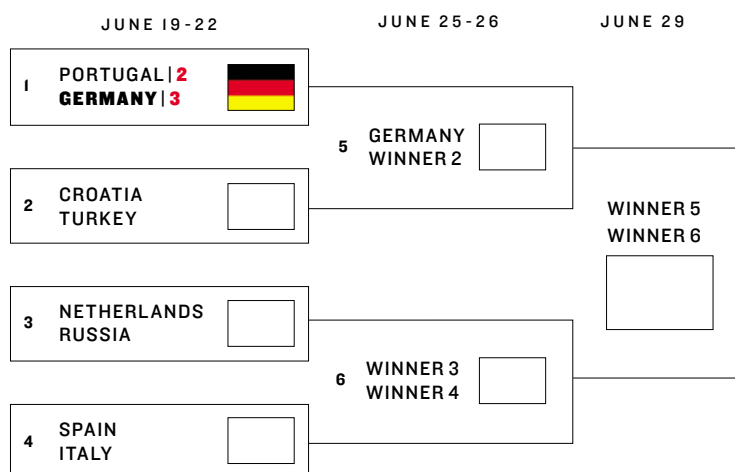
Portugal fails to reach semis for first time in three tournaments

EURO 2008 | Almost from the outset, it was Germany, not Portugal, that showed flair. It was the Germans, a group runner-up, who dominated the Portuguese, a group winner.

Bastian Schweinsteiger, coming off a suspension, scored one goal and set up two more Thursday night, leading Germany over Portugal 3-2 and into the European Championship semifinals.

It was the first time Germany moved into the final four since it won Euros in 1996, and the first time Portugal failed to make the semifinals in the last three major international tournaments.

ROAD TO GLORY | EURO 2008



Michael Ballack and Miroslav Klose also scored for Germany off free kicks by Schweinsteiger. Nuno

Gomes and Helder Postiga had goals for Portugal.
"Up to now, we lacked a bit of

creativity. That is why we changed today and that was the key," Ballack said. "Now, you saw what this team has when it can play freely."

In the battle between Manchester United's Cristiano Ronaldo and Chelsea's Ballack, the German came out on top. He delivered the deciding blow when heading in the third goal in the 61st minute, shoving away Paulo Ferreira and heading past an out-of-position goalkeeper Ricardo.

"I did my best," Ronaldo said, although it was hardly the form he showed in the Premier League and Champions League.

Germany won even though coach Joachim Loew was banned from the game by UEFA after getting ejected during the final group game. His assistant, Hansi Flick, worked the game in his place.

"We played for the coach," Schweinsteiger said. **RAF CASERT (AP)**

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Andy Murray will try to end Britain's championship drought at this year's Wimbledon.

U.K. Tennis Player Slams Countrymen

TENNIS | With the most English of tennis tournaments to open on Monday, the gentility of Wimbledon has been broken with all the subtlety of an overhead slam.

Andy Murray, Britain's top player, is appalled that Wimbledon hasn't produced a homegrown male champion since Fred Perry in 1936.

He calls British players lazy, the coaches negative and the governing body unrealistic.

"There is something wrong with the mentality and work ethic of most of the British players," Murray, a 21-year-old Scot, writes in his autobiography "Hitting Back," which was published last week.

He says some players don't work hard enough. Sometimes when he

trains at Britain's tennis headquarters in Roehampton near Wimbledon, "it's like a ghost town," Murray writes.

Murray — seeded 12th at Wimbledon, which starts Monday — is the only British male singles player with a ranking among the top 100.

The LTA, which refused to comment on Murray's book, aims to have three singles players and four doubles players in the top 100 by September. It published a "Blueprint for British Tennis" in 2006 that mapped out "fundamental changes."

But, Murray warns, "if the players don't want to work as hard as they need to get to the top, it's definitely a waste of everybody's time."

LOUISE WATT (AP)

A Windy City First

Cubs-Sox matchup is the 1st ever when both are atop their divisions

BASEBALL | In the Second City, the buzz is all about first place.

The Cubs are on top. So are the White Sox. And starting Friday, they play each other six times in 10 days.

Somehow, maybe, this could be a preview of a Windy City World Series. The last all-Chicago World Series saw the White Sox beat the favored Cubs four games to two, after the Cubs went 116-36 during the regular season of 1906.

Two years later, the Cubs won the World Series and haven't captured one since.

The White Sox, meanwhile, ended an 88-year drought of their own by winning the World Series in 2005.

"It's so different. You might as well build a border, a Great Wall of China on Madison [Avenue] because we are so different," White Sox general manager Ken Williams said this week in an interview with the Chicago Sun-Times. "We might as well be in two different cities."

So far, the series is about even as it gets. It's tied at 30-30 and each team is 16-14 on its home field.

When they meet Friday at Wrig-



For the first time since interleague play started in 1997, the White Sox and Cubs will meet as first-place teams at the start of the series. They'll play six times in 10 days.

ley Field, it will mark the latest date both teams have been in first since Sept. 9, 2003.

And since interleague play started in 1997, it's the first time the White Sox and Cubs will meet as first-place teams at the start of the series.

"It's great for the fans, it really is. It's great for the city," Cubs manager Lou Piniella said of the series.

In the past, White Sox manager Ozzie Guillen has expressed his dislike for the Cubs' home ballpark. He was in a foul mood last year when his team played on the

North Side, calling up a radio talk show from his car on the way to the park and unleashing a profanity-filled tirade after the host questioned why A.J. Pierzynski wasn't in the starting lineup.

Emotions surge during the series as players on both sides feel the rush of a playoff-like atmosphere where fans are roaring on every pitch.

"When you see the enthusiasm in the street and the people in the stands you get pumped up," Guillen said. "I don't care what you're doing or saying. You get into it."

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A Curtain Call for Casto

Nats' third baseman hopes to make the most of his 2nd chance

NATIONALS | Fifty-four at-bats. Seven hits. A .130 batting average.

For the better part of a year, those numbers were rolling around inside Kory Casto's head.

When the time comes that he puts away his glove and spikes, would those be the sum of his major-league accomplishments?

In 16 games in last April, that's all Casto managed before being sent down to Triple-A. A well-rounded career in the minors — in which he was twice named the Washington Nationals' Minor League Player of the Year — doesn't mean a thing if you don't take advantage of the opportunities you're given. And Casto hadn't.

He went down and struggled in Columbus, too, batting just .246 with 11 home runs. He'd averaged .280 and 20 home runs over his previous two seasons.

"Last year, obviously, when I got sent down, I was trying to do more to get back and it just put me deeper



JOHN FROSCHAUER/AP

Casto broke an 0-for-14 slump with a pinch-hit, game-winning home run in Seattle. He was called up on June 3 to replace injured third baseman Ryan Zimmerman.

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in a hole," he said. "And it just kind of spiraled down from there."

He went from being one of the

organization's top prospects to being an afterthought. Casto is most comfortable at the corner infield positions and in the outfield. In the off-season, the club signed Aaron Boone to back up at the corner infield spots and traded for outfielders Elijah Dukes and Lastings Milledge. They signed Robb Mackowiak as a reserve outfielder. Casto rarely came up in conversation.

"After last year, I think a lot of

people had written me off," he said, "which is fine with me, but it kind of motivates you at the same time to get back."

Then first basemen Nick Johnson and Dmitri Young got hurt. And third baseman Ryan Zimmerman. And utility infielder Ronnie Belliard. And right fielder Austin Kearns. Left fielder Wily Mo Pena got healthy but still couldn't hit. Mackowiak was released.

And Casto, mentally rejuvenated and hitting .315 in Columbus was called up. This time he started fast, hitting .400 over his first five games. His hot hitting tailed off but on Sunday he broke an 0-for-14 slump with a pinch-hit, game-winning home run in Seattle. It was the first of his career. It might be his last, but Casto said that he's comfortable for the first time in the big leagues. And he's optimistic about where that might take him.

"It's a combination of mental and mechanics," he said. "You know when your mechanics feel good, mentally, there's a lot less pressure on you. ... You just kind of let things happen as they happen." DEREK TURNER

PITCHING MATCHUPS

Garrett Mock

→ Throws: Right
→ Fastball: Mid 90s
→ Best Pitch: Fastball

YEAR	IP	ERA	W	L	H	ER	BB	SO
'08 NL	4.1	8.31	0	1	7	4	3	0
'07 AA	51.1	5.79	1	5	66	33	28	41

Kevin Millwood

→ Throws: Right
→ Fastball: Low 90s
→ Best Pitch: Fastball

YEAR	IP	ERA	W	L	H	ER	BB	SO
'08 AL	72.0	4.75	5	3	92	38	26	50
'07 AL	172.2	4.66	10	14	213	99	67	123

GAME 1 After allowing four runs in just more than four innings in his major league debut on June 8, Garrett Mock will try to pick up his first win when he takes the mound on Friday. It won't be easy. He'll be going up against a Texas Rangers lineup that leads the American League in runs scored (403), thanks in part to Josh Hamilton, who leads the league in home runs (19), RBI (74) and hits (93). The Nationals rank last in the majors in runs scored, with 269.

GAME 2

Kason Gabbard vs. Tim Redding

GAME 3

Vincente Padilla vs. John Lannan

Twins Sweep NL-Worst Nationals

NATIONALS | Michael Cuddyer hit a two-run triple and reached base all four times he batted, Glen Perkins won for the first time in five starts, and the Minnesota Twins completed a three-game sweep of the Washington Nationals with a

9-3 victory Thursday.

The Nats left 10 runners on base and lost their 45th game of the season, more than every other team in the majors except the Seattle Mariners. They scored only six runs in the series after arriv-



HANNAH FOSLEN/AP

Michael Cuddyer, left, stands on third after hitting a triple off Hill in the fourth.

ing at the Metrodome with some momentum, though it came by a three-game sweep over those lowly Mariners.

Shawn Hill (1-4) didn't give his sputtering offense a chance, failing to finish the fourth and leaving with a 7-2 deficit.

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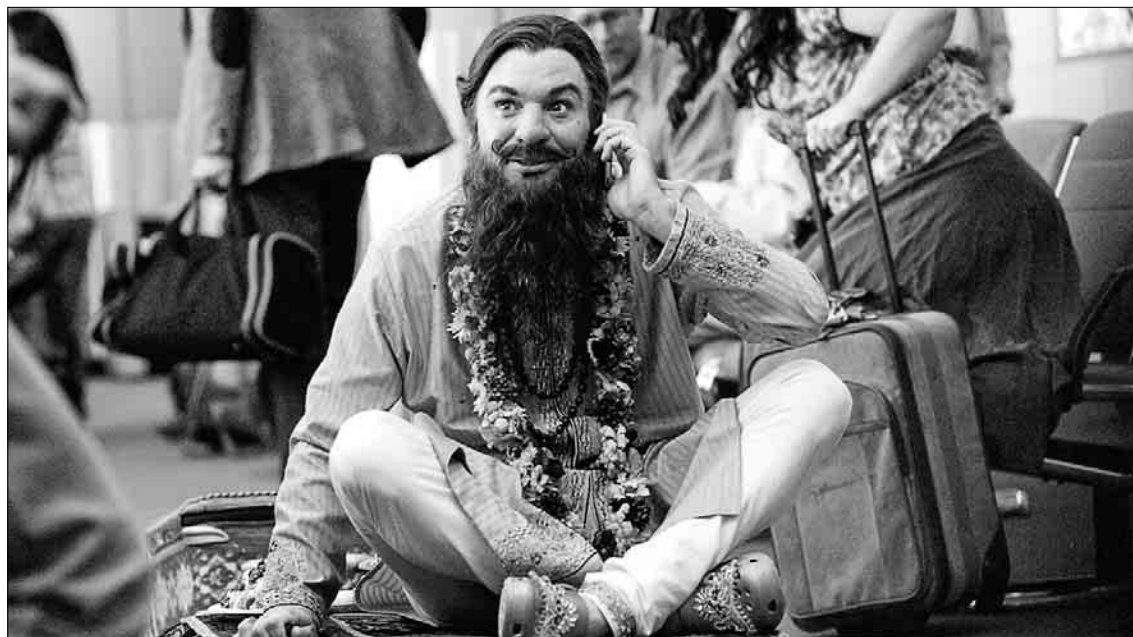
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Entertainment Weekend



HE'S NO DEEPAK CHOPRA: Mike Myers finds inner peace (and an incredibly racist characterization) as Pitka in "Love Guru."

Ashram Sham

In this ego trip of a film, one thing's for sure: 'Love' stinks

FILM | In "The Love Guru," Mike Myers must come to love himself before he can love others. From the credits of this scattershot comedy sketch stretched and strained to movie length, Myers clearly loved himself to the point of narcissism

going in.

Besides starring in the film, Myers is a producer and co-writer for it. He's in the cast list four times — three times for the same character (Guru Pitka, Young Pitka and Teenage Pitka) and for a two-second cameo as himself.

Self-love does not seem to be an issue for Myers, unlike Pitka, the world's second-best guru, who carries a chip on his shoulder from

growing up in the shadow of top-seeded rival Deepak Chopra (who makes a brief appearance).

Looking like a cross between Beatles guru Maharishi Mahesh Yogi and Charles Manson, Pitka seems to have it all: a popular self-help regimen, a lush L.A. ashram with celebrity fawners, even his own spiritual greeting, "Mariska Hargitay." It's cute at first but wears thin by the 20th or 30th time.

Enter Jessica Alba. She's Jane Bullard, the owner of the Maple Leafs (yeah, right), and her star player, Darren Roanoke (Romany Malco), has hit a slump just as the team has a shot at winning its first Stanley Cup in 40 years. Darren's lovesick because his wife has taken up with well-endowed Jacques "Le Coq" Grande (Justin Timberlake), the goalie for the L.A. Kings, the Leafs' rivals in the finals.

So, Jane engages Pitka to smooth things over between Darren and his wife. Of course, Jane herself falls for Myers' hoary Pitka (yeah, right), forcing the love guru to resolve his own inner conflicts.

Most of the gags are half-hearted, many puzzling and unfunny lines delivered by Myers with his trademark sly stare into the camera, as though waiting for fans to guffaw. He may have a long wait. Myers pushes the PG-13 rating with the movie's bawdy language and scatological humor involving such things as elephant dung.

Self-referential — or self-reverential — moments also include a snippet in which a car radio briefly tunes in Queen's "Bohemian Rhapsody," with Myers undergoing a flashback to "Wayne's World," when he and Dana Carvey led a group sing-along to the song.

Myers wants us all to love him, wants us all to be in on his jokes. But love and laughs are earned, not given just because you mug for the camera behind a wild wig and beard. **DAVID GERMAIN (AP)**



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My guy's birthday is coming up, and I wanted to get a group together to go out to dinner. He likes to try lots of different kinds of beer, so I was thinking Brasserie Beck but thought it may be too pricey for friends for dinner.

Rustico's the first place that comes to mind — love going there with friends for the wonderful pizzas and some of the finest beers around. Only thing is that the place is mostly first-come, first seated.

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The main dining room of Mie n Yu offers a stark contrast to Georgetown's bustle.

My college roommate is coming to visit, and I am trying to entice her to move to D.C., so the weekend has to be great. For a Saturday night dinner, would you choose Mie n Yu or Chef Geoff's?

The question is: Do you want to show her Georgetown and all the hubbub and brick sidewalks, or do you want to take a quiet drive to Chef Geoff's — a loud scene with a patio in the middle of manicured lawns?

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Hail the Khanquering Hero

This gorgeous epic looks back at a tyrant's childhood

FILM | When a film called "Mongol" takes as its story line the formative years of Genghis Khan, a conqueror who eventually controlled a fifth of the Earth, you know what you'll be getting. But with this film, you'll be getting that and more.

As directed by Russian veteran Sergei Bodrov, this film is not lack-

ing in violence. Even before he went into full world-domination mode, the great Khan, known as Temudgin in his earlier days, had a habit of involving himself in armed conflicts large and small.

As shot by Sergey Trofimov and Rogier Stoffers, "Mongol" has a feeling for stunning vistas and wide-screen composition that is really something to see.

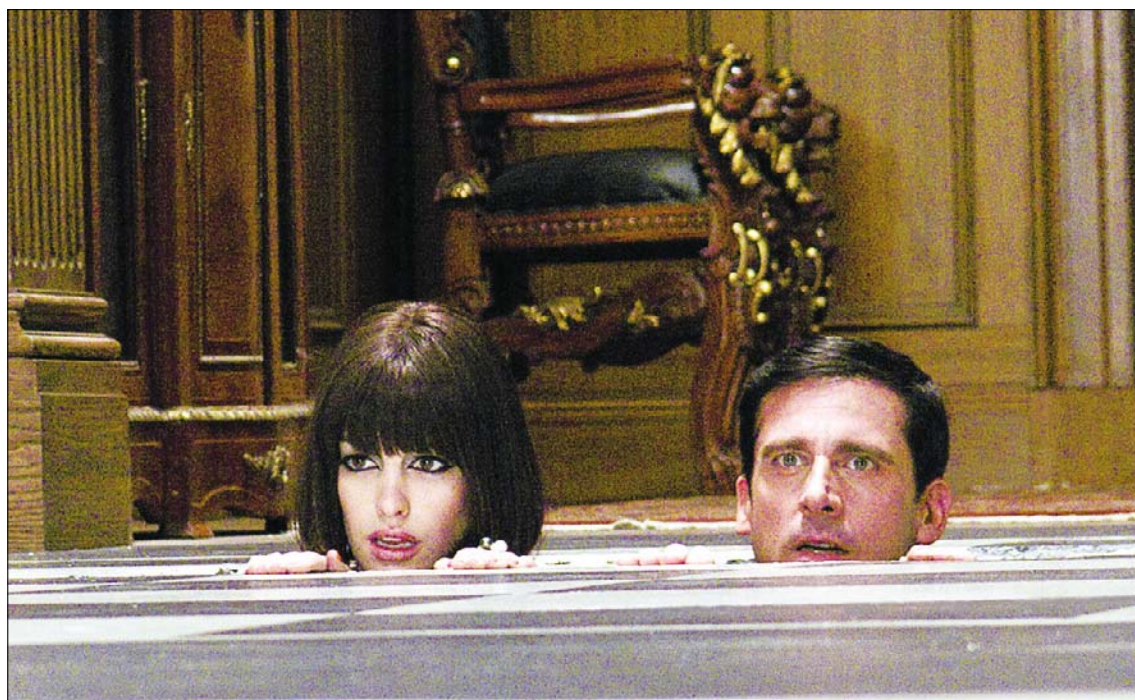
After a brief prelude set in the year 1192, which shows Temudgin inexplicably imprisoned in an



In "Mongol," Genghis Khan (Tadanobu Asano) was such an adorable child!

Asian border town, "Mongol" heads to the past for an extended flashback starting 20 years earlier.

Although the key actors come from all over Asia, from the point of view of ability and attitude they are very well cast. Japan's Tadanobu Asano is appropriately indomitable as Temudgin, Mongolia's Khulan Chuluun matches him as Borte, and China's Honglei Sun is strong as Temudgin's powerful blood brother. **KENNETH TURAN (LOS ANGELES TIMES)**



SPY WORKS WITH SPY: Anne Hathaway and Steve Carell star in the big-screen remake of the classic sitcom "Get Smart."

Dumbed Down

The sly absurdity of the sitcom is lost in 'Get Smart' the movie

FILM | "Get Smart," which began its life on TV as a classic sitcom that cleverly satirized Cold War espionage, has been transformed for the big screen into just another standard action picture.

Pity, too. Because Agent Max-

well Smart himself would have made a more entertaining movie just by picking up a camera and bumbling his way through it.

You certainly can't complain about the casting of Steve Carell in the lead role: What other actor has the buttoned-down looks and self-deprecating sense of humor to fill Don Adams' shoe phone?

And director Peter Segal ("Anger Management," "50 First

Dates"), working with writers Tom J. Astle and Matt Ember, retains just enough elements of the 1960s TV series to tug at baby boomers' sense of nostalgia. Max marches through a series of steel doors and drops through a phone booth to reach CONTROL's underground headquarters; while on the job, he utters a few of those favorite lines like, "Would you believe ... ?" and "Missed it by that much."

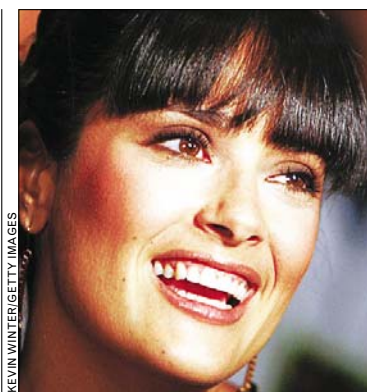
But tonally, that's where the similarities end.

Carell's Smart is a good guy — hardworking, earnest, desperate to prove he's ready to be promoted from behind the desk as an analyst to the challenges of working as a field agent. While it's true that doing a dead-on impression of Adams would have seemed campy and fallen flat, this characterization misses the point, too. The combination of self-seriousness and ineptitude is what made Maxwell Smart a comic icon. No one involved with this movie seems to get that.

In this screen version, Smart and the glamorous, capable Agent 99 (Anne Hathaway, kicking far more butt than Barbara Feldon ever could have imagined) find themselves in a series of increasingly elaborate, explosive scenarios (hanging from a plane, being dragged behind a speeding SUV, dodging a train). It all plays out in big, loud, obvious fashion — as if the filmmakers figured the audience wouldn't be interested in the sort of sly absurdity that gave the show its original charm.

As for the plot, it feels like an afterthought, something cobbled together once all the pratfalls and sight gags were lined up. An attack on CONTROL exposes all the secret agents' identities, leaving Max and 99 as the only ones left to go after the rival spy agency KAOS and undermine its nuclear plot.

Or something. **CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)**



The radiant new mother is the producer of sitcom success "Ugly Betty."

Beautiful, Talented And Busy

Actress-producer-mom Salma Hayek answers 3 questions

QUICKIE | Salma Hayek, executive producer of ABC's "Ugly Betty," recently spoke with the Hollywood Reporter about her triple-threat career and life as a new mom.

Is it challenging to juggle all these roles?

It's definitely not easy, but it was hard for me when I was just an actress, and I am glad that it was hard, because if it had been easy, I probably wouldn't have tried all those things.

What were some of your goals when you set out to make "Ugly Betty"?

I wanted it to be different than anything I was seeing on television. I also wanted Latin people to feel excited and proud that there was something on television that sort of belonged to them, but I wanted the American audience not to feel alienated from it.

What advice do you give to women trying to succeed in this business?

Follow your heart. Never compare yourself to anyone else. Never put yourself down. Thank yourself for getting you where you are, and never give up. That's a lot of advice, isn't it? **SHANNON L. BOWEN (THE HOLLYWOOD REPORTER)**

If You Can't Make it to Brazil ...

Not to worry — the brilliant Gilberto Gil has come to you

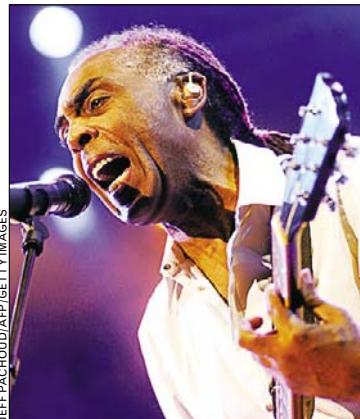
TREAT | One of the leaders of the tropicalismo movement — a creative hothouse during Brazil's military rule in the 1960s — Gilberto Gil has always been folding new sounds into Brazilian popular music. In 1969, the junta became suspicious of Gil's iconoclastic ways and arrested him, then sent him into exile.

Today, Brazil is a democracy,

and Gil is its minister of culture. Still innovating at age 65, Gil has been at the forefront of the digital revolution, embracing electronic sounds on his new "Banda Larga Cordel" (Warner Bros.) album and inviting fans to record his shows (as a way "to fight against the trend to a chaotic situation — the disorganizing process that the new technologies have provoked to the classical models").

Now, Gil is taking his act back out on the road. How does he feel about it?

"It's the part I like better in the



Watching Gilberto Gil play bossa nova live is seeing a true master at work.

music business, to go out and play and meet audiences. ... We do a sound that is full of native elements, Brazilian elements, but it's also very crossing-over," he says. "Going to the States is very exciting, [because it has been] an important source, an important reference for us." You can see Gil perform in all his tropical glory at Lisner Auditorium this Sunday.

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Nightlife Agenda

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO TONIGHT? BY FRITZ HAHN, RHOME ANDERSON AND DAVID MALITZ

FRIDAY

Every June, France welcomes the summer solstice with a nationwide festival of music. The Fete de la Musique, held on June 21, finds amateur and professional musicians alike filling city squares, town halls, parks and nightclubs with music all day and night — most of it free. It's a little pricey to fly to Paris, so D.C.'s French cultural institutions try to bring the spirit of the event to Washington this weekend.

First up is tonight's Fete de la Musique soiree, which the Alliance Francaise hosts at its Kalorama headquarters. Between 6:30 and 8:30 p.m., local bands perform indoors and out — the Hot Club of DC plays its own brand of "gypsy jazz" in the Alliance's living room area while the rock group Laissez Passer performs in the parking lot of the neighboring Embassy of Barba-



WORLDS APART: Pert soul singer Alice Russell performs Sunday, while the Crowdaddies headline the Summer BrewFest.

dos. Soulful singer-songwriter Ne'a Posey performs at 8:30 p.m., followed by a set of hip-hop and funky grooves from WPPFW DJ JahSonic. Admission is free before 8:30 p.m. and \$10 after. Food and drink will be available for sale.

SATURDAY

Almost four dozen American breweries are bringing their beers to Leesburg this weekend for the first Northern Virginia Summer BrewFest. You'll find microbrews



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and craft beers from all over the country, as well as Budweiser and Coors. Skip the big guys and enjoy tasting products from Lancaster Brewing Company, Lexington Brewing Company, Weeping Radish or Mendocino Brewing Company. A good number of Virginia breweries are represented, including Starr Hill, Blue and Grey, St. George and Williamsburg Ale Works. Admission is \$20 in advance or \$25 at the gate, which includes a tasting glass and four 6.75-ounce tastes.

Additional beer tasting tickets are \$1 each. Besides beer, the festival includes live music by the zydeco-loving Crowdaddies and a number of pop-rock bands from the NoVa circuit. If you can't find a designated driver, check out a bus trip organized by Party DC, which offers transportation from the Front Page in Ballston.

SUNDAY

Forget about Joss Stone. Or maybe you've forgotten already. That's cool.

Natasha Bedingfield is nice. We're not mad at her, but she's no Alice Russell. Amy Wino, well, just pray for her. Leona Lewis is no Alice Russell either. Basically, if you're following these British soul singing exports and you don't own an Alice Russell record, then you're on the remedial plan. The diminutive belter has released three solo albums on the boutique label Tru Thoughts; recommending a favorite is too Solomonic a task, so just seek them all out. You'll be rewarded with addictive nuggets of electronica, jazz and blues delivered by a voice that can alternately raise rafters, soothe babies or bond lovers. Bonus fan points allotted for copping her releases with bossa nova and acid jazz outfit Bah Samba or her many collaborations with beat scientists like Quantic. Russell will be making her second Washington appearance at Bohemian Caverns tonight. The last time around, she was overwhelmed that all these strangers knew all of her music and showered her with love. Her shyness didn't prevent her from bringing down the house, and this

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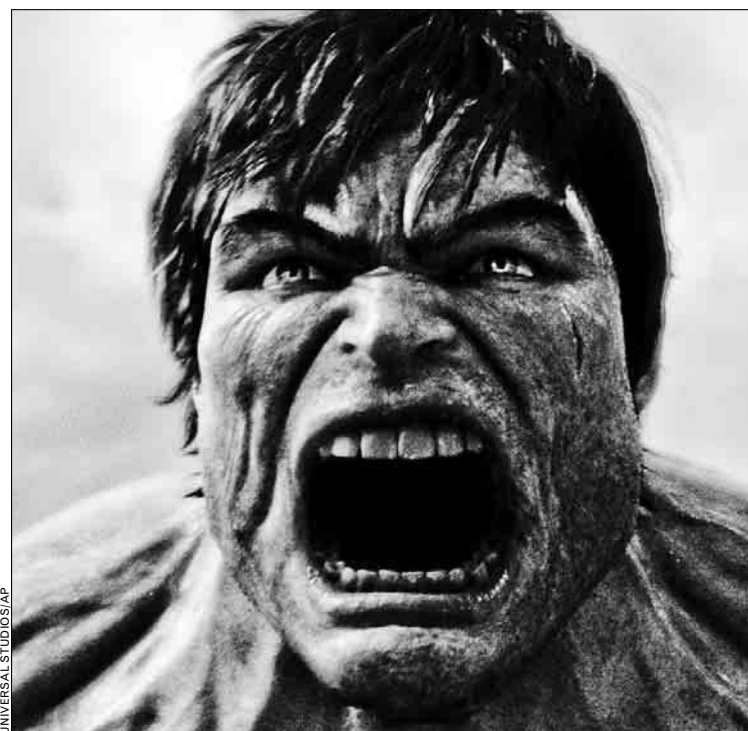
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BABY MAMA (PG-13, 96 minutes) Tina Fey is an overachieving corporate vice president who hires a working-class party girl (Amy Poehler) to be a surrogate mother: Angie, a hard-edged, slightly ditzy dame who has decided to rent out her womb at the advice of her loser of a common-law husband, Carl (Dax Shepard). Fey and Poehler could easily have become caricatures. Instead, each actress gives her character her dignity, grounding her as a recognizable human being. For those who crave mannerisms and shtick and like their jokes set up and knocked out with plenty of arrows and quote marks, the film may fall flat. But audiences alive to the modest charms of its take on female friendship will be rewarded with at least a few quiet chuckles. (AH)

BIGGER, STRONGER, FASTER (PG-13, 105 minutes) Chris Bell uses his own family almost as a kind of lab specimen for his examination of what, if anything, steroids have done to America as the country has come to fetishize the size and speed of its heroes. He chronicles the dreams, then dashed hopes, of his two bulked-up brothers (pro wrestlers) and interviews them and their wives about using the stuff that makes the muscles grow like the Incredible Blob. Then there are the interviews with jocks on both sides of the issue: the pure Carl Lewis, the impure

Ben Johnson and otherwise self-interested participants and even the grieving father of a Texas boy who committed suicide, supposedly in a post-steroids depression. He treats jocks like humans, not stars or superheroes, and in the end has managed something unique for documentaries these days: It's as entertaining as it is fair. (SH)

THE CHILDREN OF HUANG SHI (R, 114 minutes) Fact, in the movies, is a lot like a license. It allows a director like Roger Spottiswoode, whose film is based on the real-life adventures of George Hogg, to forgo a lot of rudimentary construction of character to get to the nut of the story: Hogg's arrival as a reporter in 1937 Nanjing, his narrow escape from the invasionary Japanese and his eventual journey to the edges of the Gobi desert, where he set up a school after dragging 60 Chinese orphans over a treacherous mountain range. Jonathan Rhys Meyers, who plays Hogg, has never quite found the right role for his arresting good looks and what seems to be a simmering crockpot of pathos waiting to be loosed from his soul. This isn't it. Really, though, the best thing about the film is the cinematography by Zhao Xiaoding, which is so distracting because it so out-classes the rest of the movie. (JA)

THE CHRONICLES OF NARNIA: PRINCE CASPIAN (PG, 137 minutes) Those plucky Pevensie children make an impressive if somewhat repetitive return in this second installment. Wicked King Miraz (Sergio Castellitto) has driven the Narnians of old underground and set out to murder Narnia's rightful ruler, the young and handsome Prince Caspian (Ben

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Barnes). Once again, the four young crusaders do battle with the forces of evil, and once again they prove that a ragtag team can overcome swords and catapults through the sheer force of goodness. The Pevensies still make for terrific tween protagonists, and Aslan, the majestic mythical lion voiced by Liam Neeson, is still a breathtaking manifestation of the Cat Upstairs. (AH)

FORGETTING SARAH MARSHALL (R, 110 minutes) We can either laugh or weep at man's infinite capacity to do stupid things. Which is why guffawing at the naked guy flexing his breasts in this film is not only time enjoyably spent, but philosophically cathartic. The male of the species — amusingly hapless Peter (Jason Segel) — retreats to Hawaii, trying to get over a traumatic breakup, only to find himself in the same hotel as his recent ex, TV actress Sarah Marshall (Kristen Bell). The movie follows producer Judd Apatow's doctrine perfectly, which is to use semi-

improvisational scenes to find the hilarious interface between man's vulnerability and dorkability. (DT)

THE HAPPENING (R, 92 minutes) If you like suicide, here's your main ride. All others, steer clear. As M. Night Shyamalan imagines it, a strange airborne toxin is loosed upon the region, beginning in New York's Central Park at exactly 8:33 in the morning; soon, people have stopped moving for a few seconds, and then hasten to find methods of self-obliteration. Elliot Moore (Mark Wahlberg) and his wide-eyed wife, Alma (Zooey Deschanel), plus

a friendly couple's child, Jess (Ashlyn Sanchez), take to the road in a tide of refugees. Shyamalan isn't entirely sure what kind of movie he's making, and he shuffles through personalities looking for one that interests him. The film stutters its way in this direction and that to a disappointing ending. (SH)

THE INCREDIBLE HULK (PG-13, 114 minutes) Sometimes even a superhero needs saving. Edward Norton, known for his hyper-intellectual style, has returned the story and character to their basics, delivering an improbably absorbing

adaptation of the Stan Lee strip that, though perhaps still a tad stiff and sober, achieves the all-important task of restoring the Hulk's pride of place in Marvel's pantheon of heroic mutants. As the film opens, erstwhile scientist Bruce Banner (Norton) is on the run in Brazil, eluding the nefarious General Ross (William Hurt), pining for his lost love, Ross's daughter, Betty (Liv Tyler), and working to control the adrenaline that triggers his transformation into a giant green monster. The result is a classic comic-book hero who

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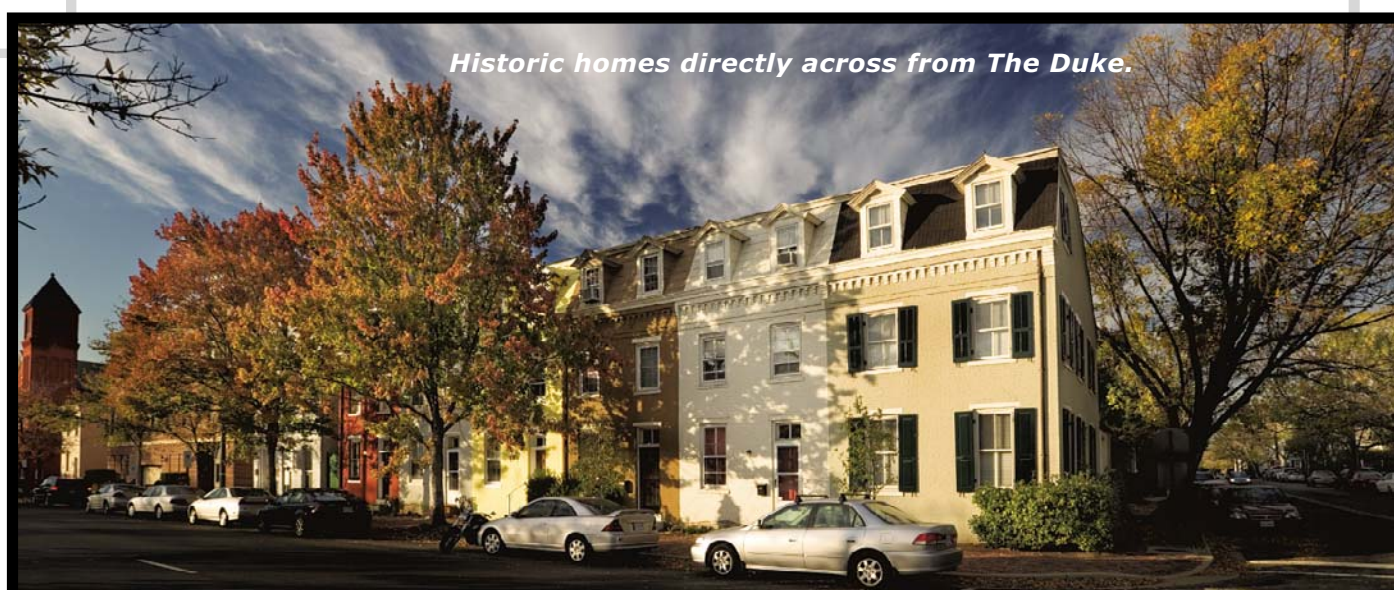
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hews to his own rules and conventions with dignity and artfulness. (AH)

INDIANA JONES AND THE KINGDOM OF THE CRYSTAL SKULL (PG-13, 126 minutes) The boy is back in town. Indiana Jones, the macho, whip-flinging archaeologist with the granite fists? Well, yes, him. Or Harrison Ford, 65, still rangy, still cool in a '30s fedora? Yes, that one, too. The movie follows Jones (Ford) on a series of contests between good Yanks and bad Russkies, first for an alien corpse

in America, then for a crystal skull in Peru and finally for the site of the crystal skull, a magic city in Central America. The joinery between each segment is mostly chewing gum, baling wire and spit. Almost on the template of "Raiders of the Lost Ark," "Crystal Skull" ends with an invocation of awesome power in one of those grandiose special-effects sequences for which George Lucas's Industrial Light & Magic shop is so well-known. Does it pay off? Maybe not quite, but the movie sends you out as it should, exhausted and happy, and you won't begin to think about its flaws for hours. (SH)

IRON MAN (PG-13, 120 minutes) Tony Stark (Robert Downey Jr.) is taken

prisoner by a warlord who orders him to build a state-of-the-art weapon. Instead, Stark builds a suit of iron, the better to bust out of the cave and give his enemies a beat-down. The real Iron Man doesn't emerge until Stark is back in California. He announces that his company is getting out of the weapons business. Thenceforth, the film sets about the business of proving that plowshares can be as sexy as swords. It succeeds only fitfully. Amid so many generic fireballs, kill shots and earsplitting thumps, bumps and crunches, the film finally collapses under its own weight. (AH)

KUNG FU PANDA (PG, 90 minutes) At a brisk and appropriate 88 minutes, this

computer-animated DreamWorks film is infectious and inspiring. Jack Black as panda Po and is the vocal embodiment of the lazy dreamer. Dustin Hoffman is terrific as martial arts master Shifu, who is alternately wise, worldly, irritated and mournful over the traitorous defection to the dark side of his once prize pupil Tai Lung (Ian McShane). To deflect Tai Lung's inevitable attempt to seize the legendary Dragon Scroll, Shifu has assembled the Furious Five: Tigress (Angelina Jolie), Crane (David Cross), Monkey (Jackie Chan!), Mantis (Seth Rogen) and Viper (Lucy Liu). There's not much for the supporting players to do; it is the "Po Show," the triumph of the

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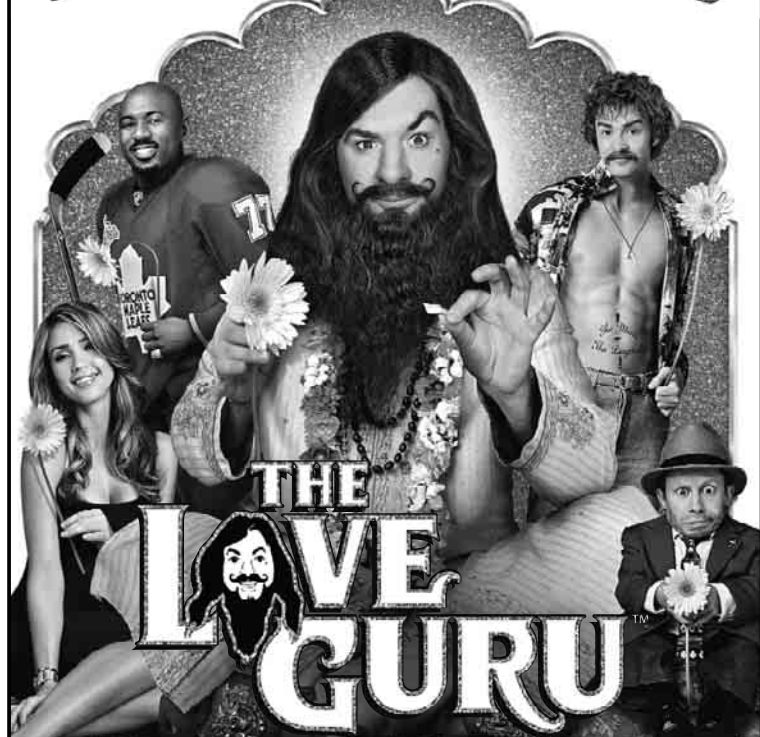
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adorable over the malevolent. As such, it is not a documentary. It is, however, a really good time. (JA)

MADE OF HONOR (PG-13, 101 minutes) Patrick Dempsey and Michelle Monaghan have it all, in terms of looks, likability and even how they blend together. But they're hapless prisoners in a nasty little caper that follows convention as conventionally as possible. Tom (Dempsey) is a lady-killer, and Hannah (Monaghan) is the one woman he never quite seduces. Who becomes his best friend. And the one, he realizes, he has been in love with all along. Cue the impossibly wonderful Colin (Kevin McKidd), whom Hannah decides to marry. So she asks Tom to be her male maid of honor. You'll never — ever! — guess how this turns out. (DT)

NIM'S ISLAND (PG, 95 minutes) The plucky heroine at the center of this film is an 11-year-old girl named Nim (Abigail Breslin), who, since her mother died at sea, has lived with her scientist father, Jack (Gerard Butler). When Jack goes plankton hunting and leaves Nim behind, mayhem breaks loose. As luck would have it, her favorite author, the world explorer Alex Rover, e-mails her dad for research information, resulting in the world-famous writer making a trip to Fiji to come to Nim's aid. Jodie

Foster comes in, and she gamely hits her mark. Kids will no doubt vicariously enjoy Nim's adventures and Edenic existence. And how refreshing to see a girl embark on derring-do that, in Nim's own words, makes her the hero of her own story. (AH)

REPRISE (R, 105 minutes) In his feature film debut, Joachim Trier has created a movie that posits its protagonists on a Swiss Army knife's worth of thematic edges: art and madness, youth and experience, love and obsession, obscurity and fame. That he does it with such a deft sense of equilibrium makes this one of the more intriguing entries this year. Erik (Espen Klouman-Hoiner) and Phillip (Anders Danielsen Lie) are childhood friends teeming with literary ambition who at the outset of the movie send off their respective manuscripts for publication. Only Phillip's is accepted. The film says many cogent things about success and what it does to people; it also indicts the mechanics of the culture in a way that is neither Danish nor American but globalized and all the more poignant for it. (JA)

SEX AND THE CITY (R, 136 minutes) With its unapologetic materialism, raunchiness and heroines who managed to be sympathetic even in the midst of almost pathological self-absorption, "Sex and the City" became one of the most successful guilty pleasures in the history of Sunday night TV. The movie version suc-

ceeds just as well, cramming what used to take a whole season into a nearly 261/27-hour marathon of men, misery and Manolos. Clearly made for the show's devoted fans, newcomers to the story might be puzzled at the movie's worship of Louis Vuitton purses and the silly women who carry them. But one of the movie's great pleasures is how the filmmakers embrace their characters' advancing ages while celebrating over-40 fabulosity. Like the show, the movie invites inevitable questions: Does it simply perpetuate retrograde, materialistic myths about having it all, or is it an example of feminism in four-inch heels? Altogether now: We can't help but wonder. (AH)

SON OF RAMBOW (PG-13, 96 minutes) This film dusts the cliches from the coming-of-age movie with its charming account of the growing friendship between two English boys in the early 1980s. The teens are Will (Bill Milner), a soft-spoken but plucky lad forbidden by his family's religious sect to watch television, and Lee (Will Poulter), a punky kid whose volatile family life causes him to act up at school. Thrown together by circumstance, they soon realize that their teamwork fills an emotional void in their lives. They infuse this story with a crowd-pleasing combination of buoyant spirit and occasionally dark humor, as Will, Lee and a very eccentric French exchange

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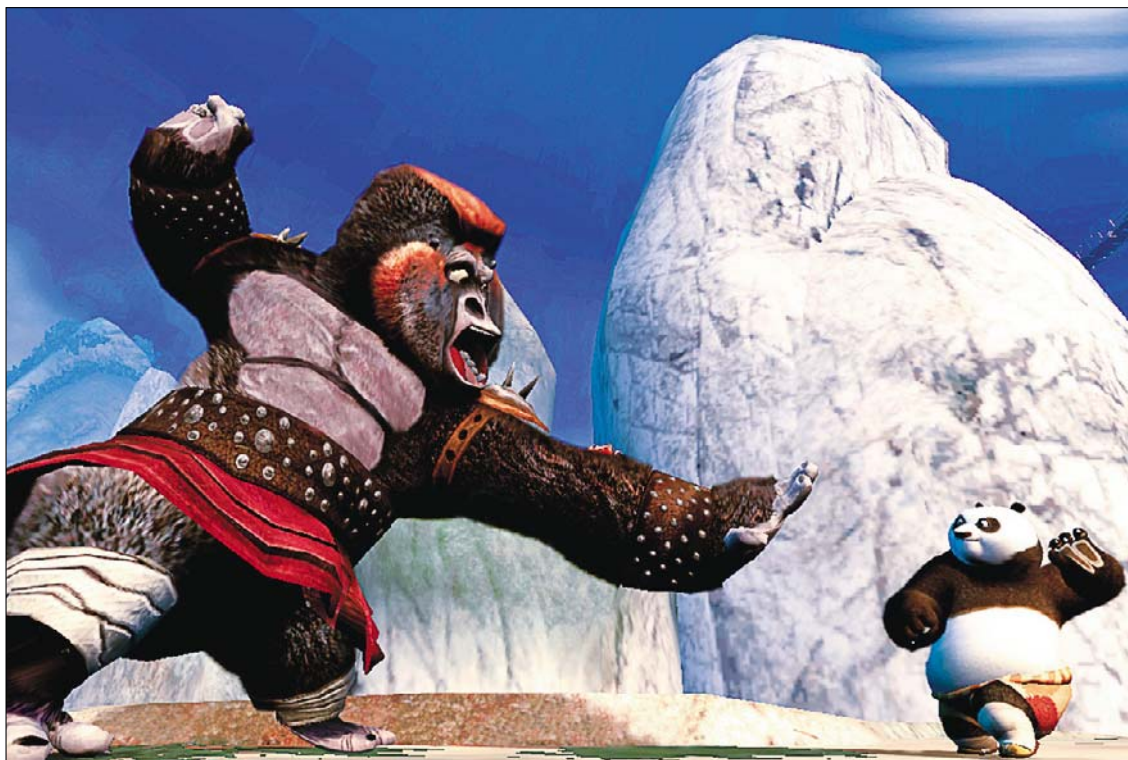
Weekend Entertainment

Now Playing

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student (Jules Sitruk) attempt to revisit Sylvester Stallone's one-dimensional machismo territory with the goofy earnestness of youth. We cringe and laugh at—and are ultimately moved by—their clumsiness and innocence. (DT)

THE STRANGERS (R, 90 minutes) Three strangers in campy Halloween masks stalk and torment an unfortunate couple, played by Liv Tyler and Scott Speedman, in a well-appointed summer home. When, in the middle of the night, someone knocks on the door, domestic problems are forgotten and survival becomes an issue, though both are completely incompetent. Writer-director Bryan Bertino leaves no stone unturned in his quest for cliché and his unbelievable depictions of behavior. For the latter, try this: A fellow passing by the house has his windshield blown out by a shotgun.



DON'T MESS WITH THE BEAR: Po (voiced by Jack Black) has a trick or two to unleash on this mandrill in "Kung Fu Panda."

Does he step on the gas? No, he gets out of the car and walks into the house showing clear signs of violent disturbance. A tragedy soon follows, but not as big as the one that compelled me to sit through the whole thing. (SH)

THEN SHE FOUND ME (R, 100 minutes) April Epner (Helen Hunt) is a 39-year-old teacher whose biological clock is clouding her judgment: April is marrying Ben. Like anything done for the wrong reasons, there's an implicit doom hanging over the nuptials. And then the domestic effluence hits the rotary appliance: Mom dies. Ben leaves. And local TV celebrity Bernice Graves (Bette Midler), materializes to announce that she is April's biological mother. In the midst of this, Frank (Colin Firth), one of April's school dads, whose wife has abandoned him and their two children, starts lighting up April's life. The film suffers from, if anything, a lack of pure confidence in the story, the actors or the audience. But anyone going to see it won't need quite the number of clues

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1130
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KUNG FU PANDA (PG) (1045 1145 115 215 400 445) 645 930
YOU DON'T MESS WITH THE ZOHOAN (PG-13) ★ (1145 230 515) 800
1045
SEX AND THE CITY (R) - ID REQ'D (1230 345) 700 1030
INDIANA JONES: THE KINGDOM OF THE CRYSTAL (PG-13) ★ (1000)
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1130 1245
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THE STRANGERS (R) - ID REQ'D 1235 AM
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INDIANA JONES: THE KINGDOM OF THE CRYSTAL (PG-13) ★ (1245)
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IRON MAN (PG-13) ★ (100) 420 740 1035
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700 945
CHRONICLES OF NARNIA: PRINCE CASPIAN (PG) (1230 345)
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SEX AND THE CITY (R) - ID REQ'D (1200 315) 630 945
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CHRONICLES OF NARNIA: PRINCE CASPIAN (PG) (1145 330)
IRON MAN (PG-13) ★ (700 945)

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THE STRANGERS (R) - ID REQ'D (1250 310 530) 800 1020
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WHAT HAPPENS IN VEGAS (PG-13) ★ (240 515) 750 1030
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THE VISITOR (PG-13) ★ (210 450) 730 1005
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LOVE GURU (PG-13) ★ (1130 1205 155 230 420 455) 655 730 915 950
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THE INCREDIBLE HULK (PG-13) ★ (1120 130 210 350 435 515) 640
720 800 935 1010 1050 1200
THE HAPPENING (R) - ID REQ'D ★ (1110 1210 140 240 410 510) 645
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KUNG FU PANDA (PG) (1030 1105 100 135 330 405) 600 635
YOU DON'T MESS WITH THE ZOHOAN (PG-13) ★ (1220 310) 600 850
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THE STRANGERS (R) - ID REQ'D 905 1120
SEX AND THE CITY (R) - ID REQ'D (120 445) 810 1125
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IRON MAN (PG-13) ★ (1140)

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INDIANA JONES: THE KINGDOM OF THE CRYSTAL (PG-13) ★ (1235 350) 710 1035
CHRONICLES OF NARNIA: PRINCE CASPIAN (PG) (1210 310) 600 915
IRON MAN (PG-13) (Stadium) (1110) 630 930
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THE HAPPENING (R) - ID REQ'D ★ (1140 205 430) 700 945
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SEX AND THE CITY (R) - ID REQ'D (1150 445) 705 1020
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Adv. Tix on Sale WALL-E (G) ★
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LOVE GURU (PG-13) ★ (1000 1230 300 515) 730 945
GET SMART - DP (PG-13) ★ (1130 215 500) 800 1045
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THE HAPPENING (R) - ID REQ'D ★ (1210 230 545) 810 1035
THE INCREDIBLE HULK (PG-13) ★ (1030 1200 115 245 330 415 530)
645 745 830 930 1030 1115
YOU DON'T MESS WITH THE ZOHOAN (PG-13) ★ (1010 1140) 640
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KUNG FU PANDA (PG) (1045 1215 130 315 445) 615 700 845
THE STRANGERS (R) - ID REQ'D (1020) PM
SEX AND THE CITY (R) - ID REQ'D (1140 310) 620 940
INDIANA JONES: THE KINGDOM OF THE CRYSTAL (PG-13) ★ (1250)
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THE LOVE GURU (PG13) (10:05, 11:00 @ \$6), 12:20, 1:15, 2:45, 3:35, 5:15, 5:55, 7:40, 8:25, 10:05, 10:55, 12:30
THE HAPPENING (R) (11:50 @ \$6), 12:30, 1:10, 2:10, 2:50, 3:30, 4:35, 5:15, 5:50, 7:00, 7:45, 8:20, 9:25, 10:00, 10:40, 11:40, 12:15
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THE INCREDIBLE HULK (PG13) (10:35 @ \$6), 1:30, 4:10, 4:50, 7:30, 8:10, 10:40, 11:20

KUNG FU PANDA (PG) (11:30 @ \$6), 2:00, 4:25, 6:45, 9:00, 11:15
YOU DON'T MESS WITH THE ZOHAN (PG13) (11:25 @ \$6), 12:15, 2:10, 2:55, 4:50, 5:30, 7:35, 8:15, 10:15, 11:00
SEX AND THE CITY (R) (10:30 @ \$6), 12:55, 1:40, 4:10, 4:50, 7:30, 8:10, 10:40, 11:20
THE STRANGERS (R) 1:00, 3:10, 5:25, 7:30, 9:40, 11:50
INDIANA JONES AND THE KINGDOM OF THE CRYSTAL SKULL (PG13) (11:05, 11:45 @ \$6), 1:55, 2:35, 4:40, 5:20, 7:25, 8:05, 10:10, 10:50
THE CHRONICLES OF NARNIA: PRINCE CASPIAN (PG) (10:20 @ \$6), 1:35, 4:45, 7:55
IRON MAN (PG13) (10:35 @ \$6), 1:25, 4:15, 7:05, 9:55

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KUNG FU PANDA (PG) (10:40 @ \$6), 1:10, 3:45, 6:10, 8:40, 11:00

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WHAT HAPPENS IN VEGAS (PG13) 9:50 PM
IRON MAN (PG13) (11:20 @ \$6), 2:10, 5:00, 7:50, 10:40

LOEWS GEORGETOWN 14

3111 K Street, N.W.
202-342-6441

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AMC POTOMAC MILLS 18

2700 Potomac Mills Circle, Ste 886
703-998-4262

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AMC COURTHOUSE PLAZA 8

Courthouse and Birch Rd.
703-998-4AMC

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MAGIC JOHNSON CAPITAL CENTRE 12

800 Shopper's Way, Largo
301-324-4220

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LOEWS SHIRLINGTON 7

2772 South Randolph
703-671-0910 801

MONGOL (R) 2:10, 4:40, 7:20, 9:50
THE CHILDREN OF HUANG SHI (R) 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 9:50
THE FALL (R) 1:50, 4:30, 7:00, 9:20
SON OF RAMBOW (PG13) 2:20, 4:50, 7:10, 9:30
THEN SHE FOUND ME (R) 1:30, 4:10, 7:50, 10:00
ROMAN DE GARE (R) 2:00, 4:20, 7:00, 9:10
THE VISITOR (PG13) 1:40, 3:50, 7:40, 9:55

LOEWS UPTOWN 1

3426 Connecticut Avenue N.W.
1-800-FANDANGO #713

INDIANA JONES AND THE KINGDOM OF THE CRYSTAL SKULL (PG13) 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15

AMC TYSONS CORNER 16

7850 Tysons Corner Center
703-998-4262

DIGITAL PRESENTATION

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IRON MAN (PG13) (11:10 @ \$6), 2:00, 4:55, 7:55, 10:45

AMC MAZZA GALLERIE

Jenifer and Wisconsin
202-537-9553

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THE LOVE GURU (PG13) (12:45, 3:00, 5:40, 8:00, 10:30
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LOEWS RIO CINEMAS 18

9811 Washingtonian Boulevard
301-948-0906

DIGITAL PRESENTATION

KUNG FU PANDA (PG) (10:00 @ \$6), 12:30, 2:55, 5:15, 7:30, 9:55
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LOEWS WHITE FLINT 5

North Bethesda
1-800-FANDANGO #741

GET SMART (PG13) (11:20 @ \$5), 1:50, 4:25, 7:10, 9:45
KUNG FU PANDA (PG) (11:00 @ \$5), 1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 7:50, 10:05
YOU DON'T MESS WITH THE ZOHAN (PG13) (11:30 @ \$5), 2:15, 5:00, 7:45, 10:35
SEX AND THE CITY (R) (10:30 @ \$5), 1:35, 4:30, 7:40, 10:40
INDIANA JONES AND THE KINGDOM OF THE CRYSTAL SKULL (PG13) (11:15 @ \$5), 2:00, 4:45, 7:35, 10:20

Times for Friday, June 20, 2008

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movie
showtimes

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THE HAPPENING (R)
11:30, 1:30, 3:35, 5:45, 7:30, 10:15
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11:00, 11:30, 1:30, 2:00, 3:45, 4:15, 6:30, 9:00
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6:00, 9:00
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YOU DON'T MESS WITH THE ZOHAN (PG-13)
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BETHESDA

7235 Woodmont Ave. • (301) 652-7273
Moviefone (301 or 202) 333-3456 #805
BARGAIN MATINEES BEFORE 6PM

CHILDREN OF HUANG SHI (R)
1:30, 4:10, 7:00, 9:30
MONGOL (R)
1:20, 2:00, 4:15, 5:00, 7:20, 8:00, 9:55, 10:30
THE FALL (R)
1:45, 4:25, 7:05, 9:50
PRICELESS (PG-13)
2:20, 4:50, 7:25, 9:40
THE VISITOR (PG-13)
2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45
REPRISE (R)
1:40, 4:20, 7:10, 9:35
BEFORE THE RAINS (PG-13)
4:30, 9:20
THEN SHE FOUND ME (R)
2:05, 6:55

P&G OLD GREENBELT

301-474-9744
40 ft. Screen
At intersection of Crescent & Southway
All shows before 6:00pm are \$6.00
ROMAN DE GARE (R)
5:00, 7:30, 9:40

LAUREL CINEMA 6

LAUREL SHOPPING CENTER RT. 1
301-604-2885

SHOWS BEFORE 6PM \$5.00

GET SMART (PG-13)
4:05, 7:00, 9:20
THE LOVE GURU (PG-13)
5:15, 7:15, 9:15
KUNG FU PANDA (PG)
4:15, 7:25, 9:25
YOU DON'T MESS WITH THE ZOHAN (PG-13)
4:10, 6:55, 9:45

INDIAN FILM-Separate Admission
ADULT \$8 / CHILD \$5

SARKAR RAJ 4:00, 6:45, 9:30
MERE BAAP PEHLE AAP 5:00, 9:00

MARLOW 6 THEATRES

Temple Hills, Md. 301-316-1031
Showtimes Mon-Thur 2pm onwards
all 8pm start shows
Last shows Sunday 8pm
Showtimes may change without notice

THE INCREDIBLE HULK (PG-13)
12:10, 1:00, 2:40, 3:30, 5:10, 6:10, 7:40, 8:40, 10:10
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P&G WESTFIELD MONTGOMERY

7101 Democracy Blvd. Beth 301-767-9555
BARGAIN MATINEES BEFORE 6 PM!

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12:00, 2:35, 5:05
SEX AND THE CITY (R)
7:40

VIRGINIA

CINEMA ARTS THEATRE

9650 Main St., Fairfax 703-978-6991
www.cinemaartstheatre.com
MONGOL (R)
9:45, 12:15, 2:35, 5:05, 7:40, 9:55
GET SMART (PG-13)
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THE INCREDIBLE HULK (PG-13)
5:00, 7:30, 9:55
GET SMART (PG-13)
5:30, 7:50, 10:00

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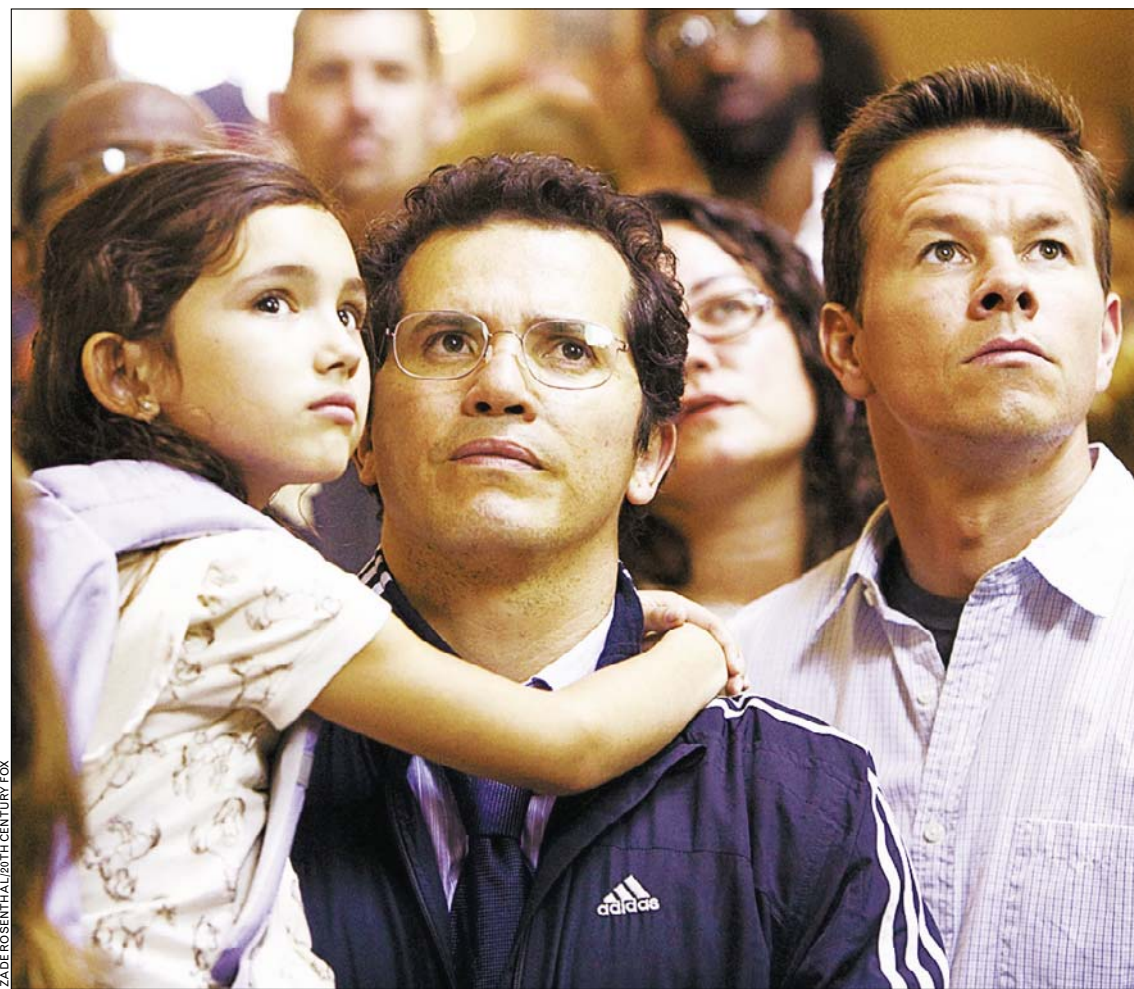
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WHATCHU LOOKIN' AT? John Leguizamo, center, and Mark Wahlberg watch what we can only guess is "The Happening" itself.

Now Playing

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as to how they're supposed to be feeling. They'll know. And a lot better, and a lot sooner, than April Epner. (JA)

21 (PG-13, 123 minutes) Micky Rosa (Kevin Spacey), MIT professor by day, gambling entrepreneur by night, who recruits six of his best and brightest students to fly to Sin City on weekends and cheat themselves rich. It's hard to throw them a high-five. Yes, Ben Campbell (Sturgess) is a sweet, lower-middle-class kid who has dreamed all his life of going from MIT to Harvard med and accepts Micky's invitation into the circle only to put himself through school. Unfortunately, this characterization feels too saintly, too schematic. The story may be based on real events, but most of it feels patently false. It's a would-be parable about greed that emptily celebrates it, a drama about gifted people who are one-dimensional voids and, most laughable of all, a story about the giddiness of risk-taking that safely plays everything by the numbers. (DT)

THE VISITOR (PG-13, 103 minutes) Richard Jenkins plays widowed economics professor Walter Vale, who reluctantly agrees to give a paper at NYU and, upon

arriving at his Manhattan pied-a-terre, discovers that it has been illegally sublet to Tarek (Haaz Sleiman) and Zainab (Danai Gurira), both of whom are undocumented. After first throwing the couple out, Vale impulsively takes pity on them. What ensues is a remarkable friendship and, when Tarek's mother arrives, a budding romance. The film gives viewers a perceptive, deeply personal take on the timeless immigrant narrative, in which the most epic journey is finally one of self-discovery. (AH)

WHAT HAPPENS IN VEGAS (PG-13, 99 minutes) Not that this film is any kind of great movie, but it's an exceedingly bright comedy that never makes you feel stupid for enjoying its brisk pacing, smart lines, sound construction and superb comic acting. Ashton Kutcher and Cameron Diaz have gone to Vegas for some healing. They meet one drunken evening and get married. Okay, time for quickie divorce, except she gives him a quarter, he feeds it into a slot machine and they win \$3 million. Who gets it? Each tries to get the whole pot, and an irritable judge (Dennis Miller) isn't satisfied they've tried hard enough, so he sentences them to live together for six months. The real pleasure in the film comes from the two stars, both of whom put vanity and narcissism far behind and are pleased

to let the movie deploy them as less than noble, less than capable, less than smart, less than selfless and less than beautiful and, therefore, more than human. (SH)

YOU DON'T MESS WITH THE ZOHAN (PG-13, 106 minutes) Adam Sandler plays the Zohan, a fabled Israeli special-operations hero who decides he has had enough of fighting and decides to immigrate to America and become a hairdresser at the famous Paul Mitchell salon. There's some humor in the way Sandler and his pet director, Dennis Dugan, envision the Zohan as a gymnast rather than a commando. He, of course, can find work only in a shop owned by a Palestinian woman (Emmanuelle Chriqui, the best thing by far in the picture). The movie is gross but not unfunny as it covers the Zohan's rise through hair culture, aided by his steamy heterosexuality, until the old ladies are lined up all the way to the Bronx for a few minutes of bliss in the Zohan's chair. But in the end, the movie feels as if it exists only to display the Sandler's biceps. (SH)



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PERMISSIVE CULTURE: An Australian senate panel refused to ban certain swear words from TV, despite allegations that TV host Gordan Ramsay used one epithet 80 times during a 40-minute episode of his show "Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares."

Television

ON TV THIS WEEKEND

RECKLESS DRIVING

Two jokers (Steve Zahn and Paul Walker) discover the dark side of the CB radio subculture in the 2001 thriller **JOY RIDE** (7 p.m., FX, Fri.).

LIGHTNING STRIKES TWICE?

Can Disney duplicate the success of "High School Musical" with something called **CAMP ROCK** (8 p.m., Disney, Fri.)? Demi Lovato stars as a teen attending a camp for musical prodigies, where she meets a musical star who has lost his passion for singing.

AND THE WINNER IS ...

Cameron Mathison and Sherri Shepherd host the **35TH ANNUAL DAYTIME EMMY AWARDS** (8 p.m., ABC, Fri.), a celebration of soaps, talk fests and game shows.

ART IMITATES LIFE

Candidates (Henry Fonda and Cliff Robertson) vie for their party's nomination and are willing to dive into the gutter to get it in the 1964 drama **THE BEST MAN** (8 p.m., TCM, Fri.), adapted from a Broadway play written by Gore Vidal.

MONSTER STAR

TRUE HOLLYWOOD STORY (9 p.m., E!, Fri.) profiles actress Charlize Theron.

SAVE OUR CEREMONY

WEDDING SOS (9 p.m., FLN, Fri.) features a woman with a British accent (Jane Dayus

Hinch) who is counted on to solve every problem. She has an assistant, apparently gay, who handles the fashion decisions she can't. He says "fabulous" a lot.

CHOO CHOO

A former Disney star provides conversational fodder for people without much else going on in their lives on **LINDSAY LOHAN'S HOLLYWOOD TRAINWRECK** (9:30 p.m., VH1, Fri.).



PEROXIDE BLONDE: According to VH1, Lindsay Lohan is officially a "trainwreck."

WHAT'S THE PASSWORD?

Regis Philbin, Sharon Osbourne and Lil Wayne appear on **JIMMY KIMMEL LIVE** (12:05 a.m., ABC, Sat.).

GET PUMPED

Summer starts Friday at 7 p.m., and with it come the first glimpses of the **2008 SUMMER OLYMPIC GAMES** and NBC's extensive coverage. Look for Olympic diving trials from Indianapolis (3:30 p.m., NBC, Sat.), followed by men's gymnastics finals (4:30 p.m.) and women's gymnastics (8 p.m.).

HONOR, GLORY, ETC.

Warriors defend a village against attack in the 1954 Japanese epic **THE SEVEN SAMURAI** (8 p.m., TCM, Sat.).

STEP TO THE BAD SIDE

Marian becomes an outlaw on **ROBIN HOOD** (9 p.m., BBC America, Sat.).

ALL HAIL NASA

Viewers who missed any installments of **WHEN WE LEFT EARTH** can watch the series from the beginning (5 p.m., Discovery, Sun.) and catch new episodes at 9 p.m. and 10 p.m.

PULL OVER!

A blizzard hits on **ICE ROAD TRUCKERS** (9 p.m., History, Sun.).

MEDICAL MIRACLE

Sela Ward narrates **THE GIRL WITH EIGHT LIMBS** (9 p.m., National Geographic, Sun.), an intimate look at a child born to poor Indian parents whose rare birth defect



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RELIGION OR MIND CONTROL (10 p.m.,

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Culture

Products featuring Japan's favorite feline appeal to foreigners

Hello Kitty — Japan's most famous feline — is rediscovering her cultural roots.

Upcoming products include digital cameras shaped like a cat's head and stationery featuring the bubble-headed mascot in Kabuki outfits, all part of a bid to emphasize the mascot's "Japanese-ness," says Sanrio Co., which makes Hello Kitty products and licenses her image.

Hello Kitty has two cafes in her name in Japan and gets paid for TV commercial appearances.

The mascot queen of cute, already proving popular with Americans, including Mariah Carey and Britney Spears, is now winning acclaim in relatively new markets like Russia, China and India, according to Sanrio., which recorded nearly \$870 million in annual sales.

Much of the growth is coming from abroad and tourist sales in Japan, the company said in showing its new products to media Wednesday. Overseas sales now account for about a quarter of Sanrio's profits, up from 15 percent three years ago.

Hello Kitty, now 34 years old, has always catered to regional tastes — posing as the Statue of Liberty as a souvenir figure for New Yorkers and getting a tan for products in Hawaiian stores.

But these days, the cat's cultural roots are proving a draw among



AMBASSADOR OF CUTE: Hello Kitty is featured on many products, including a \$3,500 sequin dress, left. She was named a tourism ambassador for Japan in May, above.



Kitty Corner of the World

international audiences, especially tourists flocking to Japan who want Hello Kitty souvenirs that aren't available back home, Sanrio said.

Gadgets are a trademark for Japan, home for top brands like Sony Corp. and Panasonic. And Hello Kitty is cashing in on that trend.

Among the high-tech products planned for sale here in the months ahead are a 5 megapixel digital camera shaped like Hello Kitty's face, a 512 megabyte USB memory covered with sparkling rhinestones and a globular humidifier in Hello Kitty's image.

On the more traditional front are

wallets of deer hide and chinaware mugs made by craftsmen — all with Hello Kitty motifs.

For official postage stamps going on sale next month, Hello Kitty and her boyfriend, Daniel, are wearing flowing "The Tale of Genji" samurai and princess robes. The \$56 stamp set includes several plastic "netsuke," or tiny figures that were historically carved, of the couple.

Even for Japanese fans, Hello Kitty, associated initially with elementary school-age girls, is wooing newcomers, with boxer shorts with glittery cat designs targeting young men and lingerie with cat-inspired lacing for adult women.

"We have to keep changing so

people won't get bored," Sanrio manager Kazuo Tohmatsu said. "Ideas we would have thought out of the question 20 years ago are perfectly fine today."

Sanrio officials acknowledge they don't know for sure why Hello Kitty has proved so popular. But the absence of the mouth, a key feature for reading emotions, is believed to be one reason, allowing onlookers to add their own interpretations to the character.

In the growing global push, Hello Kitty is also expanding collaborations with foreign companies.

The latest is with Courreges, including sandals and bags with the French fashion house's logo.

Another is with South Korean designer Han Ahn Soon, including a \$3,500 sequin minidress.

Recently appointed by the Tourism Ministry to represent Japan in China and Hong Kong, Hello Kitty boasts licensing agreements with Japanese automaker Mitsubishi Motors Corp. and Taiwan carrier EVA Airways Corp., has two cafes in her name in Japan and gets paid for TV commercial appearances.

At a time when overall Japanese retail sales are stagnant, Sanrio sales are up nationwide from the previous year, thanks to tourist buying, said President Shintaro Tsuji.

"The secret to success is foreigners," he said. YURI KAGEYAMA (AP)

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Die Laughing

Molière's "The Imaginary Invalid" mixes winking asides and farcical bathroom humor with dance, opera and commedia dell'arte. The Shakespeare Theatre's new rambunctious, irreverent production of the French playwright's last play runs through July 27, and Stephen M. Deusner has the review. | [ONLINE NOW](#)



MUSIC

Sailor, Take Warning

Unwed Sailor has nine records, but the ensemble has featured vocals on just four songs. Bandleader Johnathon Ford is a soundtrack nut, and "Sailor" accompanies its live performances with film and art. The band plays DC9 on Sunday, and Bob Massey spoke to Ford. | [ONLINE NOW](#)

FILM

Everyone Bleeds Red

Watching "Hell's Ground," Pakistan's first slasher flick, feels like splitting open the head of an obsessive film buff — in this case, it's writer/producer/director Omar Ali Khan's dome we look into. Stephen M. Deusner reviewed the new DVD. | [ONLINE NOW](#)



comment board

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COMMENTER ME, WHO ADDED, "JUST SHOWS WHAT YOU GET WHEN YOU MIX UPPITY [ATTITUDES] WITH BAD BUSINESS SENSE."

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COMMENTER PHILIMUS, WHO ADDED, "KEEP THE FLAB COVERED, GUYS. NOBODY WANTS TO SEE YOUR BEER BELLY AND LOVE HANDLES."



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Discussions

McCain vs. Obama

Washington Post national political reporter **LOIS ROMANO** was online Thursday to discuss the latest in political news.

For better or worse, the battle of the possible first ladies seems to be heating up, with Michelle Obama's appearance on "The View" covered like a major news story, Cindy McCain's latest cookie debacle, and then Obama getting into it with his comments that both wives should be off-limits. As a political observer, where do you

see this going, and how big a role will the spouses play in the end?

No longer is the political wife window dressing. Michelle Obama is a Harvard-educated lawyer who had a high-powered career. Cindy McCain runs a multimillion-dollar family business. They are not off-limits. They are part of the package. No one votes for the spouse — but negative publicity can hurt.

Barack Obama was adamant about public funding of campaigns to reduce the corrupting influence of special interests on elections. Now that all those special interests want to give him piles of money, he flip-flops. Why does he get a pass on this?

You must be a McCain campaign worker. It's early. Let's see how the public reacts to him up against McCain — so far, the public has not wanted to hear too much negative about the guy.

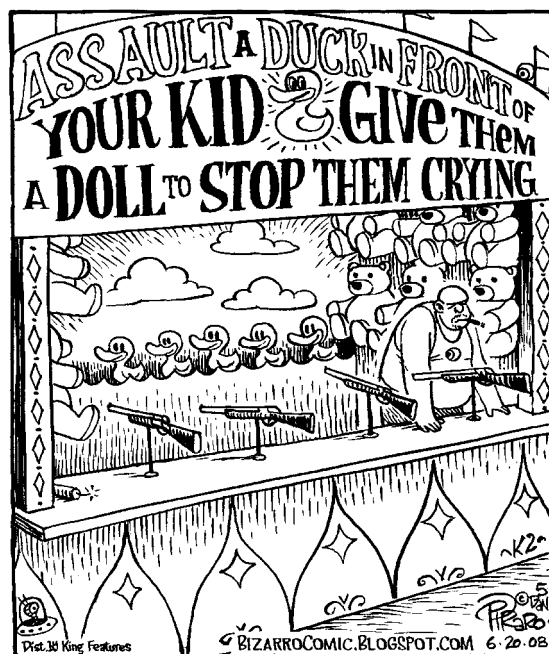
So, Obama announces his decision to forego public financing by YouTube, not a press release. Different kind of message control, don't you think? People can go and see it themselves, rather than have gatekeepers tell them what he said. Not a new concept, but a smart one.

TODAY ON DISCUSSIONS: Post film critic Stephen Hunter talks about the latest movies, including "Get Smart," at 12:30 p.m. | washingtonpost.com/discussions.

DO

BRING CANNED GOODS TO NATS GAMES THIS WEEKEND. The Washington Nationals will partner with the Capital Area Food Bank to collect non-perishable food items during their weekend series against the Texas Rangers. Fans may donate items such as canned proteins, fruits and vegetables.

Bizarro | Dan Piraro

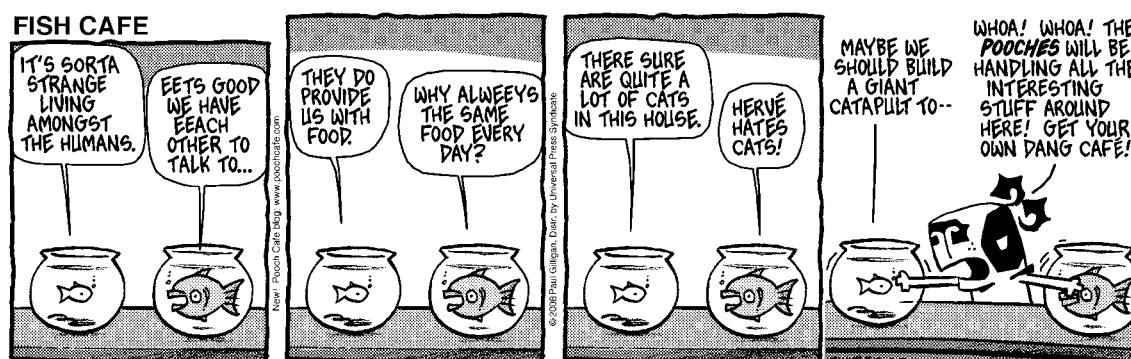


Cornered | Mike Baldwin



Their eyes met and his heart soared, like the price of gas before a long weekend.

Pooch Cafe | Paul Gilligan



Pearls Before Swine | Stephan Pastis



The Duplex | Glenn McCoy



Horoscope

By Stella Wilder

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Others will be drawn to you as a result of an inner strength you display that you do not thoroughly understand.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Preparations will serve you well during the coming week — though right now it may be difficult to see just exactly how. Have faith.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) This is a good day to put a new project into high gear. There is no time like the present — and you have some big ideas that can pay off.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) This is not a good day for roaming about aimlessly. If you have a plan, execute it; otherwise, home is the place for you to be.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Today will mark the beginning of one phase and the end of another, though it may be some time before you comprehend this significance.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) This is one of those days in which you may feel very much alone even in the middle of

a crowd. You're after something different, that's all.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Those who know you may recognize a change that has long been coming — but that is nonetheless dramatic and permanent.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You'll enjoy unexpected progress, provided you keep things in perspective. There is a risk of getting carried away; discipline is key.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You've been taking the blame for too long now, and it's time to insist that others bear some of the burden of a recent misfortune.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You'll enjoy unforeseen rewards as a result of a recent chance encounter and the decisions it forced upon you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) A collection of ideas that seem unrelated as the day opens may prove to fit together well in a tapestry of creative potential later on.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) A helping hand is likely to be available when you need it. You mustn't be so caught up in your efforts that you overlook assistance.

Letters

Sick of Amy Winehouse

BEFORE READING TUESDAY'S paper, I had decided to write about the fixation Express' editors seem to have on Amy Winehouse, an apparently troubled young lady in London. I was going to say, "Give it a rest." Could you let a single day go by without any mention of her? After mentally composing my comments, I got around to reading Wednesday's Express, and there she was again ("Amy Diagnosed With Being Rode Hard, Put Away

Wet"). Do you honestly think she's that newsworthy? Or that we care?

—HARRY BETANCOURT
Washington, D.C.

Corrections:

Thursday's Weekend Pass item about the Capitol Hill Arts Workshop incorrectly stated Andy Goldsworthy will speak on Sunday. Matt Wilburn will speak about Goldsworthy at the event, which is on Saturday. The same item also included an illustration that is not part of the CHAW exhibit. Also, the DreamCity Theatre Group's "The 70" at the Atlas Performing Arts Center, featured in Weekend Pass as well, has been canceled.

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Today in History

1863 West Virginia becomes the 35th state.

1893 A jury in New Bedford, Mass., finds Lizzie Borden not guilty of the ax murders of her father and stepmother.

1947 Benjamin "Bugsy" Siegel is killed at the Beverly Hills, Calif., mansion of his girlfriend,

Virginia Hill, apparently at the order of mob associates.

1967 Muhammad Ali is convicted in Houston of violating Selective Service laws by refusing to be drafted. Ali's conviction was ultimately overturned by the Supreme Court.

2007 Sammy Sosa, playing for the Texas Rangers becomes the fifth pro baseball player to hit 600 career home runs.

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LOOK

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People



DAMIAN DOVARGANES/POOL/AP

Sensitive hipster hair didn't help him.

ENDLESS

Spector Trial a Tangled Möbius Strip of Litigation

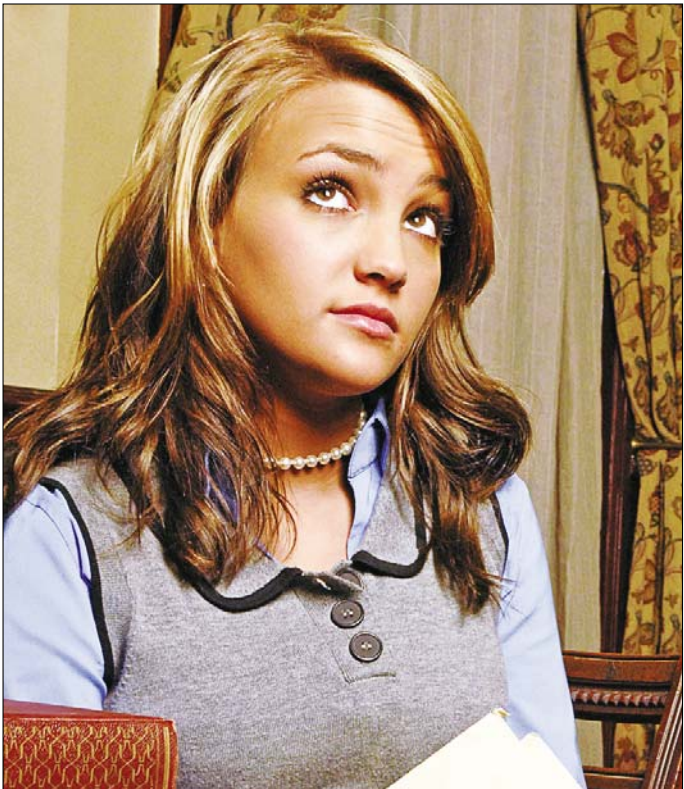
A Los Angeles hotel is suing **PHIL SPECTOR**, his wife and agent for failing to pay \$104,000 in accommodations for lawyers and witnesses in his trial on murder charges. The lawsuit alleges fraud, breach of written contract and other charges. (AP)

MEDICINE

Doctors Attempt Talent Transplant to Saner Body



AMY WINEHOUSE is undergoing more hospital tests after fainting earlier this week. Spokesman Chris Goodman says Winehouse had more scans and tests Thursday. Winehouse collapsed Monday at her home. (AP)



NICK ELODION

BABIES

Youth Ends Here

JAMIE LYNN SPEARS, 17, gave birth to a baby girl Thursday morning at a south Mississippi hospital. The baby is named Maddie Briann and weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces. The father is Casey Aldridge, a pipe-layer from Liberty, Miss. The couple is not married but announced their engagement several months ago. Spears lives near Liberty with Aldridge, 19. (AP)



TERMS

Court Prefers Less Loaded Term 'Entertainer'

JERRY SEINFELD claims a cookbook author is cooking up some fancy semantics by calling him an actor rather than a comedian to minimize the humor in statements she says defamed her. Lawyers for Seinfeld say Missy Chase Lapine's lawyers resorted to the switch in words to describe Seinfeld when several weeks ago they filed a rewritten version of her lawsuit against him and his wife. Lapine, the author of "The Sneaky Chef: Simple Strategies for Hiding Healthy Foods in Kids' Favorite Meals," accused Seinfeld's wife, **JESSICA SEINFELD**, of plagiarizing her cookbook. (AP)

Or call him a "DVD-residual-liver-offer."

SIGNS

A Corvette Without a Vanity Plate? Pull It Over!

Rapper **YOUNG JEEZY** was charged with driving under the influence and speeding after he was pulled over on an Atlanta highway early Wednesday. The artist, whose real name is Jay Jenkins, was driving a



Corvette when he was stopped. Jenkins was charged with speeding, driving with no license plate, having an open container, reckless driving and driving impaired by alcohol or drugs. (AP)

SAD

Woman Purchases Male Affection, Feels Empty Inside

"James Bond" film producer Barbara Broccoli has paid \$38,000 for a kiss from **DANIEL CRAIG**. She'll also get kisses from Hugh Grant and Robbie Coltrane for her winning bid at a benefit for the National Film and Television School. (AP)

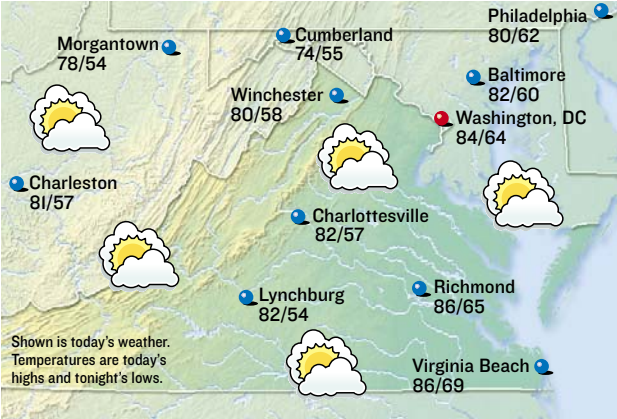


Is the ugly-sexy thing over YET?

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today	Tonight	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Partly sunny	Partly cloudy	Partly sunny	A couple of showers and a t-storm	Partly sunny, a t-storm possible	Mostly sunny
84°	64°	85° / 68°	81° / 67°	85° / 65°	86° / 65°

Regional Weather



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Almanac

Washington, D.C., through 4 p.m. Thur.

Temperature

High 77°

Low 60°

Normal high 85°

Normal low 66°

Average humidity 49%

Precipitation

24 hours ending 4 p.m. Trace

Month to date 3.77"

Normal month to date 1.99"

Year to date 27.69"

Last year to date 15.08"

Normal year to date 18.13"

For up-to-the-minute weather, see: washingtonpost.com/weather

Regional Forecast

D.C. Metro: Today, partly sunny. High 84. Wind west 6-12 mph. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 64. Wind south-southwest 4-8 mph.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today 5:43 a.m.

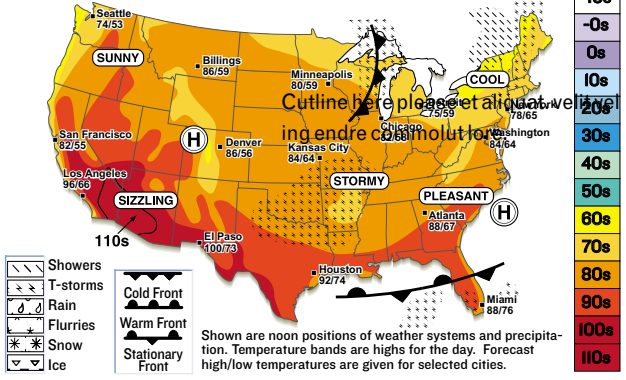
Sunset tonight 8:37 p.m.

Moonrise today 10:25 p.m.

Moonset today 7:07 a.m.



National Weather for Friday, June 20



National Cities

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Atlanta	88/67/pc	80/63/t
Boston	73/61/pc	80/64/pc
Chicago	82/58/t	78/56/t
Dallas	89/71/t	92/72/s
Denver	86/56/t	90/58/t
Honolulu	87/75/s	88/75/s
Los Angeles	96/66/s	92/66/s
Miami	88/76/t	90/78/t
New York City	78/65/pc	83/71/pc
Orlando	94/72/t	90/71/t
Seattle	74/53/c	68/52/pc

World Cities

City	Today	Sat.
Amsterdam	66/52/pc	68/52/pc
Athens	90/74/s	90/72/s
Berlin	75/52/pc	72/54/pc
Buenos Aires	52/43/r	57/46/c
Calgary	73/44/pc	78/49/pc
Dublin	61/46/pc	59/48/r
Geneva	78/59/pc	79/57/pc
Moscow	75/55/pc	73/57/sh
Rome	83/64/s	86/68/s
Sydney	63/55/r	63/51/pc
Tokyo	77/70/c	77/72/r

s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

Puzzles | LOOK_{out}

CROSSWORD | TINGLE OF PUZZLEMENT

ACROSS

1 Elementary beginning
4 The cards you hold
8 Altar exchange
12 Atkins anathema
14 Fertilizer chemical
15 Where two tablets were taken
16 Uproar
18 "To your health!" e.g.
19 Plant swellings
20 Certain jelly substance
22 Cases for the love doctor
24 Egg-laying mammal
27 Co-____ (some apartments)
28 Word used in many comparisons
29 Tick off
32 Org. looking after kids
35 Some broadcast-booth banter
39 Weekly weeder?
40 Hull caulking
41 Additive to some

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42 High peak
43 Some are small and golden
46 Light, informal conversation
51 Smitten
52 Perfume amounts
56 The smallest unit of DNA
57 An elm is a good one
59 Bench activity
60 Almighty
61 "Needs more ____"
62 Lab procedure
63 "La Traviata" has three
64 Fed. transportation provider

DOWN

1 Rue the run
2 Data transmission unit
3 Algonquian-speaking Indian
4 Hyde Park's river
5 Moon path
6 Audacity

7 Foreign minister under Begin
8 They take bows during performances
9 Live
10 "... Fuzzy Wuzzy ____ fuzzy ..."
11 Googlers' destinations
13 Nickname for Babe Ruth (with "the")
15 Become more declivitous
17 Aromatic ointment used in antiquity (Var.)
21 What push may come to
23 Mattress or pillow stuffing
24 Carve with acid
25 When repeated, a child's train
26 Sound of body
30 Swift bird on foot
31 Actor M. ____ Walsh
32 Like some imitations
33 Jog

34 "The ____ have it"
36 Alternatives to sprays
37 Playful prank
38 Abilities
42 No more than
44 Not in agreement
45 You can stick with it
46 Allure
47 Make accustomed to

48 Family on "Soap"
49 Electrical inventor Nikola
50 Concerned with a specific purpose
53 Steep, rugged rock
54 Wriggly swimmers
55 Words with "record" or "trap"
58 Museum acquisition

Yesterday's Solution

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face^{QA}time

■ **Lauren Weisberger** made a splash exposing the fashion world's underbelly in the 2003 novel "The Devil Wears Prada." Now, the chick-lit author (and one-time assistant to Vogue editrix Anna Wintour) returns with "Chasing Harry Winston" (\$26, Simon & Schuster), a tale of three gal pals ISO success (and engagement rings) in New York City.

This was your first novel in third person and from multiple perspectives. What made you decide to write it this way?

Everyone assumed with the first two books that narrator and author were one in the same. As I do with every first-person book, you automatically assume it. I found myself not wanting to write, say, sex scenes in the first person. I found that much easier to do in this book.

Which character did you enjoy writing the most?

Leigh, because of her neuroticism — something I can relate to well. I think a lot of people can relate to dating a guy who's absolutely perfect on paper, and everyone thinks he's perfect, and you just don't understand why you're not feeling it.

So, before your girl friends tell you a story, do they have to preface it with the caveat —

"This is off the record?" Yeah, they sure do.

You're a newlywed. Since the three characters focus on engagement as a major part of their stories, was it hard for Mike [Cohen] to surprise you when he popped the question?

I joke sometimes it was, but, no, we don't live our lives according to the books we're writing. We both knew it was going to happen. We had been talking about it for a really long time. I would jokingly read him passages from the book and raise my eyebrows. He'd be like, "All right, I know! Not like that!"

What are you doing when you're not



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Lauren Weisberger

AUTHOR, DIVER, JEANS EXPERT

writing or on book tours?

I travel as much as possible, read a whole lot, and hang out with friends and family. We have two Malteses, so we spend a lot of time outside walking them. We're also big scuba divers. We love diving, so we go as often as we can — which is not very easy, living in New York.

Where's the last place you went?

The Maldives, for our honeymoon. Really fun — great diving.

Don't you also have a bit of an obsession with jeans?

Yep, I like jeans a lot. Right now, I'm very into Genetic. They're not very well-known, and I have a hard time finding them, but I love them. They just fit perfectly for me. They're really lightweight. They're not like all

"I like jeans a lot. I'm very into Genetic. They're lightweight. They feel like sweatpants."

these stiff, dark jeans that were in for a while that were really uncomfortable. They feel like sweatpants. They're great.

You worked in magazines in New York, but didn't you also work at a PR firm in D.C.?

I did a college internship one summer. It was lovely. We used to go out in Georgetown. 18th Street Lounge. ... It was really fun. Everybody was out every night. There was so much energy, so many young people.

You'll come here for a reading in July. Will you stop by the Lounge?

I don't know. Now it's up to the people who live there to tell me where to go, because I am totally out of the loop. KRIS CORONADO (EXPRESS)



Daily Poll

The boss doesn't care what you think. We do.

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Flap This House

MAYBE THE REASON those darn finches won't nest on your deck is the frumpy, faux Victorian birdhouse you hung there. Hepper Home's sleek roost (\$125, Hepperhome.com) gives tweeters a mod pod to feather. Its red, blue, green or silver aluminum exterior won't chip, meaning birds won't nibble toxic paint flakes. But, no, it doesn't come with mini copies of Dwell magazine.

1 En Garde, Ground Beef!

THE BRIQUET BANDIT walks alone, eschewing human contact and burger-flipping tongs. Then, in a puff of Weber smoke, he or she appears, brandishing the Barbecue Sword (\$30, order for July delivery at Firebox.com). Dogs are speared! Damsels (or dudes) are impressed by the bandit's bravado! Then everyone else at the party wants to borrow the darn thing (plus the mask it comes with), and the saga begins anew.



Grab Bag



Bigger, And Bluer

URBANDECAY'S Big Fatty mascara has been a fixture of Express' Best Of Beauty wrap-ups for a couple years running. Improving on a good thing often proves dangerous, but the new color versions (\$17, Sephora) are, if not as eye-popping as their black-only predecessor, certainly as lush and voluminous. We tried Electric Blue (there's also burgundy, indigo and purple). It took a few coats to be obviously blue. But it didn't clump and it complements most shades of both eyes and shadow.



3 Styles for a Summer Night

THERE'S MORE to at-the-club (or cafe) clothes than the Gap and American Apparel. Shaw's new Profile (2003 11th St. NW; 202-332-4111), a two-level his-and-hers clothing shop in a Victorian townhouse, understands this. This explains fab merch like an Indigo Stars shirt for him (shown, \$45) and a Meghan orange and pink silk frock for her (\$325).



5 Just Your Type

THE PAPERLESS OFFICE may be the wave of the future, but hang on to a least one measly sheet of dead tree so you can accessorize your cubicle with typewriter key pushpins (\$4, Staples stores). They're part of the surprisingly hip "m" line, which also includes floral-print note cards, preppy striped journals and Moorish file folders. Dig that flashback flair? The typewriter design also comes in magnets and clips.

dear
manolo

ANSWERS FROM THE SHOELOGGER

My banker boyfriend and I are going to Newport, R.I., for a long Fourth of July weekend with some people from his work. We're supposed to be boating in the afternoons and going out on the town in the evenings. Please help.

— JENNY

■ The Manolo hopes that his friend was not asking the Manolo to find the single shoe suitable for both daytime and evening activities, some sort of strappy, high-heeled, rubber-



soled, deck shoe, perhaps? Better the Manolo thinks, to purchase the decent blue canvas boat shoes to go with your Jackie-O, casual nautical outfit, and then expend your efforts on locating the perfectly gorgeous evening sandals for your disco nights.

As his friend will presumably be consorting with the WASPy old-money panjandrums of Newport, who together with their arriviste new money hangers-on and barely titled European sycophants comprise the peculiar ecosystem of that region, she will want to be beautiful and stylish so as to subdue the restless natives. The Manolo recommends something tall and metallic like this beautiful Sara T-Strap Sandal from Christin Michael in the color known as "gunmetal" (\$220, Zappos.com).



Ask the Manolo a question at manolo@shoeblogs.com. Visit the Manolo at shoeblogs.com.

event horizon

→ Study sake at a TenPenh tasting/lunch (\$75, Sat., 1 p.m., 1001 Pennsylvania Ave. NW). Call 202-222-0987 for reservations.

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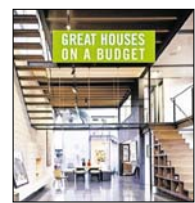
BOOKS

Who Gives a Scrap?

■ You with the empty Pomegranate Diet Coke Sub Zero can — step away from the recycling bin! Nah, don't chuck the thing in a landfill; turn it into a picture frame. That's just one of the clever trash-to-treasure ideas in Kate Shoup's **RUBBISH: REUSE YOUR REFUSE** (\$20, Wiley). The self-proclaimed "refashionista" tells how to repurpose junk, from whipping up a funky purse from an old sweater (use a stray scarf for a handle!) to decorating a lampshade with old film negatives. While a few projects (the ubiquitous melted LP bowl) feel tired, many are fresh and super-easy. If we can drink enough Merlot, we are so making a bracelet out of wine corks this weekend. J.B.

BOOKS

The Cheap Sleeps



■ Plywood kitchen cabinets cost less than cherry ones. A home with loft-like spaces can be cheaper to build than one with lots of teeny rooms. (It's the extra walls, stupid.) These are some of the often obvious, sometimes surprising architectural ideas put forth in James Grayson Truelove's **GREAT HOUSES ON A BUDGET** (\$20, Collins Design). Big photos and a small amount of text describe modern, built-on-a-shoestring dwellings from a steel-and-concrete beach getaway in Venice, Calif., to a corrugated metal cabin in Texas. Detailed plans and interior shots provide loads of inspiration. But we were surprised that any book with "budget" in its title didn't talk about, well, how much any of this costs. J.B.



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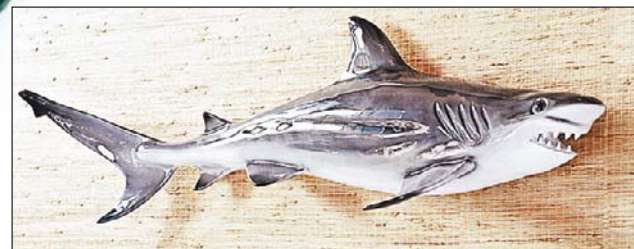
The jellyfish doesn't have a spine. But you do, allowing you to lounge on a raffia pillow bedecked with a pretty invertebrate. (cover \$17, insert \$9-\$12, Westelm.com)

◀ Collecting Legs

Hudson Beach Glass' dreamy octopus bowl could hold a seafood salad or some shells. (\$210, Go Mama Go!, 1809 14th St. NW; 202-299-0850)

Creature Comforts

As a decorating motif, the fish seems a little washed-up and corny — unless you're 2 years old, in which case the Nemo night-light can stay. But creepier ocean dwellers like crustaceans, cephalopods and jellyfish make pillows, tableware and even wall art look dangerously cool. "It's this whole scientific-specimens-as-design movement," says Thomas P. Fernandez, whose latest line of melamine plates for Thomas Paul swims with critters like hermit crabs and octopi. "These pieces create a cabinet-of-curiosities feel, like Victorian taxidermy." Such Jules Verne-meets-Jacques Cousteau stuff lends a room (or beach rental) an edgy feel you won't find hanging out in the bar at Red Lobster. JENNIFER BARGER (EXPRESS)

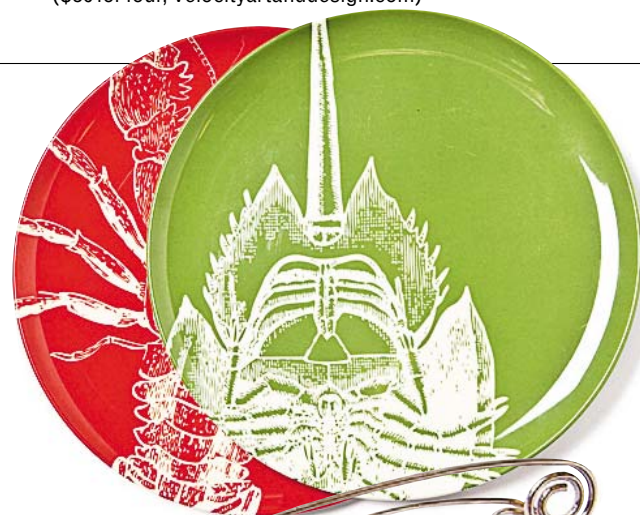


▲ The Whole Tooth

Get a truly sharply dressed wall with a 5-foot-long resin shark, which looks much hipper than a surfboard. (\$200, Pbteen.com)

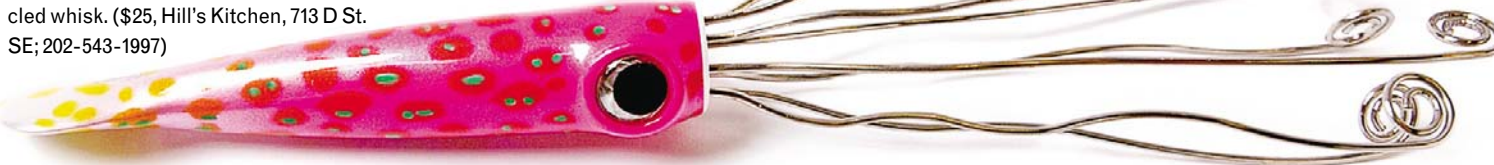
▼ Claw and Order

Saltwater suckers — a lobster, a hermit crab (shown), an octopus and a blue crab — skitter across Thomas Paul's melamine plates. (\$36 for four, Velocityartanddesign.com)



► Calamari of Duty

Stir up sauce for some fried squid with Pylones' tentacle whisk. (\$25, Hill's Kitchen, 713 D St. SE; 202-543-1997)



Outside Interest

BORED WITH THE SAME OLD BACKYARD PARTIES? THROW ONE INSPIRED BY YOUR PERSONALITY, WHETHER YOU'RE A HIGH PRIESTESS OF PREP OR AN EARTHY ECO-WARRIOR.



1 Prep Squader

SCENE: You're on a first-name basis with Lilly (Pulitzer, puh-leeze) and hang in Georgetown or Old Town when not sailing on the Cape. Show wanna-be-a-Kennedy style and turn your yard into a colorful compound of old-school games Biff and Muffy would like — bocce, croquet, madras-shorts wearing. “We have badminton and volleyball,” says designer Cynthia Rowley. “They get people to mingle.” Rowley’s Whim line for Target includes not only lawn toys but also “Are-we-in-Palm Beach?” dinnerware like pink basketweave dishes in melamine (shown, \$20 for 18 pieces, Target.com).

SNACKS & SIPS: Net seafood and veggie-filled lobster pots to go from G-town’s new Tacklebox (\$40 per person; 202-337-8269). Then sip gin and tonics or “make these things I call Pop Tails,” says Rowley, aka frozen treats infused with vodka “or another type of Mommy’s special medicine.”

STYLES: Gals should wear retro patio dresses (long frocks recalling the “Stepford Wives” era); dudes could hit Sherman Pickey (1647 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-333-4212) for seer-sucker shorts, bow ties and other “Official Preppy Handbook” staples.

2 Globe-Trotter

SCENE: Back from Jakarta before a trip to Jaipur? Flaunt worldly elan — even if you’re just an armchair traveler — by transforming your balcony into an “Arabian Nights” club. Drag pillows from the sofa and toss them on patio chairs. “Throw an exotic textile like a suzani over a table,” says Timothy Worrell, who sells the colorful Uzbek pieces at Timothy Paul Bedding + Home (1529A 14th St. NW; 202-234-2020) along with other world party-ready stuff like antique Chinese trays (shown, \$130) and napkins made of vintage Turkish robes (shown, \$2 for \$15). Light the darkness with Moroccan lanterns (\$45-\$97, Moroccocaravan.com).

SNACKS AND SIPS: Mediterranean dishes like Lebanese falafel, Italian grilled veggies or Moroccan tagine (a rice dish) taste good served at room temperature. “Paella is also a great thing to eat in the backyard,” says Worrell. “It’s good with white wine from that part of the world, too.”

STYLES: Mike Myers rocks Indian kurtas in “The Love Guru.” Male chill seekers can buy them (\$25-\$35) at Mapleclothing.com. The site also hawks breezy kaftans (\$5-\$55) with a 1960s vibe for women.



3 Eco-Warrior

SCENE: Can one stay green and still frolic on the green? Yes, but an outdoor party that treads lightly means no more cute paper plates decorated with Pixar characters. Guests can eat from biodegradable forks, bowls et al made of potato starch and veggie oil (multipacks \$6.50-\$14, Branchhome.com). “But the best thing is using real utensils, linens and dinnerware,” says Anca Novacovici of Virginia-based Eco Coach. One apropos piece to dish out on: a reclaimed wood tray (shown, \$25, Bungalow Homewares Gallery, 1901A Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria; 703-299-8899).

SNACKS AND SIPS: It’s summertime, and the pickings are easy at farmers markets, meaning there’s no excuse for whipping up gazpacho from Chilean tomatoes when you can create it from Virginia or Maryland beauties. And, says Novacovici, “figure out how many people you’re cooking for to avoid food and packaging waste.”

STYLES: Of course, wear organic cotton. But to be the hit of the event, don an Al Gore mask (\$7, Halloweencostumes4u.com) and start expounding on carbon neutrality and polar bears. JENNIFER BARGER (EXPRESS)

steal my
party



Aaron Austin and Katie Chambers fight for an unknown pink cloth thing.

One Great Big Pile of Party

■ Allison Basker had just moved into a Petworth group house, and the 29-year-old community organizer liked all her new roommates but one. This one was messy, uncontrollable, overbearing and driving them all nuts. Who was this roommate from hell? A huge amount of crap taking up too much space. So, Basker threw the reverse of a housewarming party. Instead of bringing junk in, guests took junk out — specifically, out of a giant pile of the five house mates’ stuff on their front lawn.

“The biggest obstacle was keeping people from the neighborhood from taking things before the party even started,” says Basker. But once the swap meet was under way, guests had a blast browsing through clothes, furniture, a mattress and, surprisingly, formal wear: “Two guys walked up, dropped off four tuxedos, and left without coming in.” The wackier the items, the more fun for the partygoers. “My favorite was the wig donated from my friend Kenny’s ‘Blossom’ Halloween costume,” Basker says.

The free pile shouldn’t be the only entertainment. While Basker’s pal DJ Krispy spun tunes, guests drank beer and traded stories about what they brought and what they took. And take they did — the party started with eight bags of clothes and other items; the next morning there were two measly bags left, which Basker donated to the Harriet Tubman Women’s Shelter. Of course, the “Blossom” wig was snagged — but don’t be surprised if it shows up at the next “Steal My Crap” party near you. ROBYN MINCHER

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Beach

Catching vows near the waves? He rocks a cool-yet-appropriate getup of Five Four Clothing's cotton shirt (\$110, Fivefourclothing.com), and Banana Republic's linen pants and leather sandals (\$69 and \$79, Bananarepublic.com). His date looks relaxed-yet-posh in Delica's rock-the-casbah-print patio dress (\$68, Pop, 1803 14th St. NW; 202-332-3312); jeweled, sand-ready slides; and a necklace (\$48 and \$22, [Shoefly](http://Shoefly.com), 2727 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; 703-243-6490) and a bright bracelet (\$40, [Macy's](http://Macy.com), 1201 G St. NW; 202-347-3969).



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Guest Dressed

When it comes to picking out wedding ensembles, brides and grooms have it easy. Not so guests, who must contend with confusing invite instructions like “festive” or “black-tie optional.” (Does the latter mean pants are, too?) When in doubt, “being overdressed is the best way to go,” says Ethan Drath of D.C. shop Sherman Pickey. “If you have to ask if it’s appropriate, it probably isn’t.”

ASHLEY JOY PARKER

Daytime

ceremonies call for dressed-up but not too clothes. She goes pinup girl chic in Yoana silk frock (\$372, Sugar, 1633 Wisconsin Ave. S-5331), Naughty Monkey’s peep-toes (\$79, Wild cherry ring (\$85, Lettie Gooch, 1911 9th St. 2-4242) and a dramatic red necklace (\$6.50,). Her date preps up in a smart Lilly Pulitzer Sherman Pickey, 1647 Wisconsin Ave. NW;), Breur shirt and tie (\$160 and \$100, Sherman khaki pants (\$137.50, Sherman Pickey) and loafers (\$285, Reiss, 1254 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-944-8565).

Evening

A nighttime wedding gives guests a chance to glam—or at least spiff—up. A dark suit can stand in for a tux, too, as in his Reiss tropical wool style (\$900, Reiss), dandified by a pale-colored shirt and tie (\$190 and \$110, Reiss), and leather loafers (\$280, Reiss). Local designer Laura Akinsanya’s L Shandi line dress (\$128, Caramel, 1603 U St. NW; 202-265-1930) in African lace glitters with Wild Diva’s Vegas-y heels (\$42, Shoe-fly). Bracelet is model’s own.

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Unexpected Guests

Mainstream kitchen innovation amounts to Williams-Sonoma's latest novelty cake pans (trains! vegetables!) and high-tech nonstick coatings that will be discovered to cause cancer in 2015. But somewhere on the fringes of science and insanity lie products that show what food could become if common sense were stripped away and herd thinking were abandoned. Here are some of them.

HOLLY J. MORRIS (EXPRESS)

BATTER BLASTER: SPRAY PANCAKES

This would be far cooler if you could inject cooked pancakes directly into your mouth. Instead, you must spray batter into a pan and cook it. It made slightly rumpled, but delicious and mildly sweet flapjacks. (\$5, Whole Foods)

THE FIZZ:

FLOAT MAKER

Put ice cream in cup. Screw cup onto soda bottle. Squeeze. OMG, it's a float that looks like a volcano when fizzing! (\$10, Thefizzcup.com)



MARGARITA ICE BUCKET

Use this 3-foot-tall monster, but prepare for a cascade of lame jokes about giant salt. (\$270, Grainware.com; 800-473-0504)



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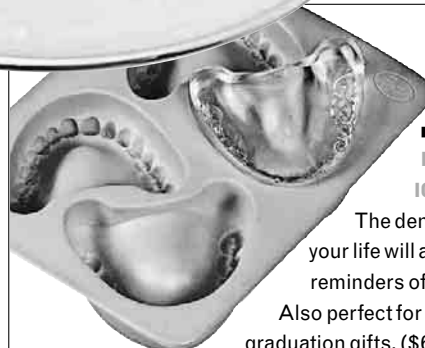
BOB'S PICKLE POPS

These are not frozen pickles — they are sticks of “freshly squeezed pickle” and brine. There's a spicy version, too. (\$20-\$49, Bobspicklepops.com)

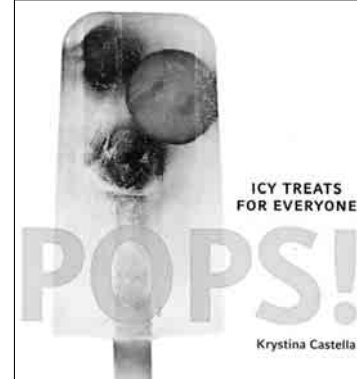


FROZEN SMILES ICE CUBE MOLDS

The denture-wearers in your life will appreciate these reminders of their lost youth. Also perfect for dental hygienist graduation gifts. (\$6, Amazon.com)



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Pick a Peck of Pops

■ So, you can't afford a shipment of Bob's Pickle Pops (see below left). The world of DIY pop-dom is open to anyone with sticks, molds and **POPS!** by Krystina Castella (\$16, Quirk). Among the most astonishing: Bubble tea pops (an adaptation of those frothy teas with the tapioca balls floating in them), mulled cider and walnut pops, and basmati rice pudding pops. No fancy molds? Ice cube trays, espresso cups and wax paper secured with duct tape will all work. H.M.

BOOKS

Bowling 'Em Over

■ Who cares whether your party nibbles come from Trader Joe's? Your guests will still think you're a star host if you serve up exotic cocktails spiked with jalapenos, hibiscus and cucumbers. **101 SANGRIAS & PITCHER DRINKS** by Kim Haasarud (\$17, Wiley) requires few skills (Know how to stir?), but you'll need time (think overnight) to make drinks like strawberry basil lemonade and grapefruit grigio. VICKY HALLETT (EXPRESS)

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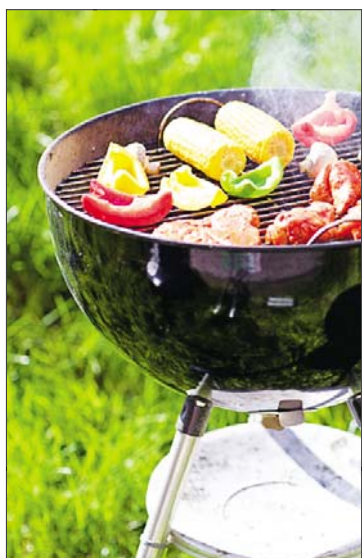
Queso, What Now?

■ Cheese cubes taste great stabbed with a toothpick at Whole Foods. But serving party guests blocks of cheddar screams no effort. Not so the beer fondue, Parmesan biscotti and goat cheese crostini in **CHEESE HORS D'OEUVRES** by Hallie Harron (\$13, Harvard Common Press). Short ingredient lists and prep times mean it's really easy to get cheesy. JENNIFER BARGER (EXPRESS)

Throw A Griller Thriller

I'm moving to a new apartment that will have outdoor space, and I'm looking forward to grilling outside. But I know little to nothing about grilling. The house will have a small charcoal grill. Should I try to buy a gas grill or a larger charcoal grill? Can I get the effect of smoking without having a smoker?

My quick take is this: Buy a larger charcoal grill. My favorite is the Weber Performer; it comes with a built-in work table, a nifty little propane-lighting system, baskets you can slide around and a good cleaning system. You can indeed smoke on a kettle grill — you set it up for indirect grilling and use half the charcoal you normally would. You may have to replenish more often than in a smoker because of the design, but you can also look for a



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baffle, which redirects the air flow and keeps things going lower and slower in a kettle grill.

My roommates and I are hosting a housewarming party. We have access to a small backyard grill, but none of us is really experienced in the ways of grilling. We don't want anything major, maybe just burgers and hot dogs. Any coal suggestions, etc?
Get the hardwood lump charcoal and a chimney starter rather than match light or lighter fluid. Clean the grill really well. Oil the grates

really well. Create a two-zone fire, building up the coals higher on one side than the other so that you can move things over to the cooler side if they start going too fast. Keep plenty of extra coal on hand for replenishing when the fire dies out. Have a spray bottle full of water on hand for taming flames.

In general, what types of fish hold up best on the grill? What types work best for grilling whole?

The steaks work well: salmon, swordfish, tuna (all certified sustainable, of course), and they should be at least 3/4-inch thick. Black sea bass, branzino and red snappers grill whole, especially if they weigh between 1 and 2 pounds. Make sure whole fish are completely scaled and score them lightly with large X's. Start them over direct heat and then move them over until you are more comfortable with the process. A good test of doneness is to stick a paring knife in the thickest part and touch the tip against a finger or your mouth. It should be pleasantly warm, not cold.



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Chanel Cooper, Daniel Gilmer

Chanel, 21, is a student at Howard University. Daniel, 21, works for the National Institutes of Health. They live in Washington.

- **The Main Event:** A black-tie ceremony and reception in Jackson, Miss., on July 12. Chanel's uncle will officiate.
- **Honeymoon:** Florida's Gulf Coast.
- **How They Met:** As undergrads at Howard University, they met in an organic chemistry class.
- **First Date:** After eating breakfast at Florida Avenue Grill, they walked and talked along the Tidal Basin during the

National Cherry Blossom Festival.

■ **How He Proposed:** Last December, Daniel suggested they museum-hop on the Mall to celebrate the end of the semester. Their last stop? The U.S. Botanic Garden. "I recounted how wonderful our relationship had been," he says. "As I finished, I got down on one knee."

■ **Most Hated Clothing Item:** "His old wifebeater with the holes in it." "Does her cell phone count?"

■ **Pet Names:** Chanel is "Nelly" and Daniel is "Burnnie."

■ **Their Song:** "Flashing Lights" by Kanye West, says Chanel. "We like the beat and heard it the whole time during a trip we took to Texas."

■ **When He Knew:** "After about three weeks into our relationship. We knew each other well before we began our relationship, so it didn't take long for me to be sure she was the one."

"It became really clear for me after we met each other's families."

Anna Luisa Paningbatan, Milo Sybrant

Luisa, 28, is a D.C. public schools project assistant. Milo, 28, is a marketing consultant. They live in Crystal City.

- **The Main Event:** A traditional ceremony and reception in Long Beach, Calif., on July 19.
- **How They Met:** As interns at Amnesty International in D.C.
- **First Impressions:** "Milo was well-dressed, clean-cut and professional. ...

Little did I know how goofy he could be." "I thought Luisa seemed like fun."

■ **First Date:** They met up for a casual coffee date at Adams Morgan's Tryst.

■ **How He Proposed:** On a cold, windy day last February, Milo convinced Luisa to take a walk to Roosevelt Island. "We were the only ones there and the ground was covered in snow," Luisa recalls. "When he proposed, I thought I



was dreaming."

■ **Most Hated Clothing Item:** "Milo has an old red T-shirt with a huge hole in one of the armpits."



A Stitch in Timing

After meeting fellow University of Virginia undergrad **AMANDA GRESLICK** in his biology class, **JON ANDERSON** planned a memorable first date on Valentine's Day. He just didn't expect it to end in the ER. The pair hit up a club, where Jon asked Amanda to dance. "But when I stood up, I just kept going forward and face-planted right on the floor," he recalls. A busted lip led to a late-night hospital trip. "The whole time I was getting stitched up, Mandi held my hand. That's when I knew."

Two and a half years later, Jon popped the question at a party with family and friends. "I had no idea what he was doing," says Amanda. "I thought he was just taking me up onstage to make me do karaoke or something." They'll wed on a beach June 28 in South Portland, Maine; the reception will feature whoopee pies, a state speciality. But they'll buck tradition by having a best woman.

Jon, 23, is a financial management specialist. Amanda, 22, is a research analyst. They live in D.C.



Samika Dyson, Michael Green

Samika, 25, works for the federal government. Mike, 27, is a police officer. They live in Lanham, Md.

■ **The Main Event:** A semiformal ceremony and reception in D.C. on July 19. Samika will walk the aisle to "Never Felt This Way" by Alicia Keys.

■ **How They Met:** As schoolmates at Beltsville's High Point High School. "She was staring me down in the hallway, so I went over and introduced myself."

■ **First Date:** After a trip to a carnival, they headed to Gravelly Point to watch the planes take off at Reagan National Airport.

■ **How He Proposed:** On Christmas Day 2005, Mike left a big box for Samika under the tree. Upon opening it, she found a love note, a teddy bear and another

"I knew that I wanted to marry him when I was unhappy if he wasn't around."

er box. Upon opening the second one, she discovered a ring and a note from their two daughters that read, "P.S. Will you marry our daddy?"

■ **Pet Names:** Mike is "Bay aka Baby" and Samika is "Boo."

■ **Mmmm, Cake:** "Our cake will be tiers of cupcakes, except for the top, which will be a heart-shape cake we will cut."

■ **When He Knew:** "I've always known she was the one for me from that staring moment in the hallway. I can't see myself living without her."

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